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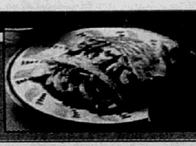

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‘Got to go’

Haine says after grace period, all poker machines must be removed

Sanford J. Schmidt
Telegraph staff writer

> *‘This is not Mardi Gras, this is Lent.’*
> **William R. Haine**
> state's attorney

Video poker machines have got to go within seven days, Madison County State's Attorney William R. Haine warned Monday.

"After seven days, owners of the premises face prosecution before a grand jury, seizure of the devices and will come under the scrutiny of the United States attorney. The federals don't take prisoners," Haine said in an interview after release of a protocol covering video poker and other gambling devices.

Haine has issued a protocol instructing local police agencies on how to handle the growing problem of high-stakes gambling in otherwise law-abiding clubs and taverns.

He said after a grace period, enacted because the law has been ignored for so long, taverns and clubs should have the machines off the premises.

For now, the machines may remain on the premises until owners can come and get them, Haine said.

"They are not to be operating. They are to be unplugged," he said.

The operation of video poker machines and other gambling devices is to stop now, the state's attorney said.

"This is not Mardi Gras, this is Lent," he said.

The protocol gives police detailed instructions that operators are to be contacted and warned about the new initiative against illegal gambling.

"Law enforcement officers should give the local bar and club owners fair warning to remove all illegal gambling devices, such as slot machines and other electronic gambling machines, from this date forward. A seven-day grace period would not be objectionable, but it should be no more than seven days," the protocol states.

"The club owners and tavern owners . . . should in this period of time remove all illegal gambling devices."

"The Madison County State's Attorney's Office hereby directs the police agencies to aggressively utilize investigative and police powers to seek the removal of illegal gambling machines from all local business establishments, all private clubs and all premises which are open to the public," the protocol states.

Haine said there will be no prosecution for past offenses.

"The vast majority of people operating these devices are otherwise law-abiding citizens. They got into this because everyone else was doing it," Haine said.

He said illegal gambling was largely ignored for years, but he recently realized the magnitude of the gambling with the arrest of a suspect by the Collinsville Police Department

After that, Haine said he realized the amount of money that could be involved and the fact that video poker machines now take up to $100 bills.

"I'm not banning anything. The law has already banned these machines, except on the *gambling boats," Haine said in an interview Monday.*

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Catherine Combs, certified nurse/midwife, using a amplified stethescope on expectant mother Joyce Heiman at the Women's Center in the Wolff Medical Building at St. Elizabeth's Medical Center.

Special deliveries

Midwives find niche in modern medicine

By Alene Hill
Staff writer

> *‘Midwifery has been around as long as women have been having babies. But in order for midwifery to exist, it has to have support from doctors.’*
> **Cathy Combs**

Cathy Combs decided she wanted to study to be a midwife while she was in nursing school at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville in the mid-1970s.

"We did our clinics at the old City Hospital in St. Louis and we would watch doctors deliver for half a day and watch midwives deliver a half-day," said Combs. "I guess I decided then that's what I wanted to do."

Yet it wasn't the best time in this area to take that path, Combs said. Shortly after that, midwife deliveries stopped at City Hospital and a political struggle developed between midwives and doctors.

"Isn't it strange?" Combs asked. "Midwifery has been around as long as women have been having babies. It's common still in European countries and in other parts of this country. But in order for midwifery to exist, it has to have support from doctors."

She grew up in Oakdale, Ill. Her mother was a nurse and four of her sisters are all in health care. She lives with her husband of 20 years, David, in the house where she grew up.

"It's a commute back and forth, but I enjoy it," she said. "My husband carpools to his job at Boeing (the former McDonald-Douglas)."

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Residents angry about permit

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

> *‘Obviously, had they received notice, an objection would have been lodged. These folks learned of the approval of the special use only when a bulldozer appeared at the site and began work..’*
> **James Sinclair**
> attorney

The Madison County State's Attorney's office is expected to ask a judge to declare the approval of a special use permit for billboard's along Interstate 270 near Mitchell invalid.

Nearby residents became upset after finding out the Madison County Board gave approval for the permit.

The application for the permit included an incorrect lot identification number, resulting in a failure to notify residents of adjoining property and a mistake in the published legal description of the property, officials said.

On Jan. 21, the Madison County Board concurred with a recommendation by the Zoning Board to approve a variance allowing two billboard signs by Mid-America Advertising — an O'Fallon-based company — along I-270.

Assistant Madison County State's Attorney Nelson Metz said Monday that his office would seek a declaratory judgment on the matter.

"When the County Board approved it they were not advised that there was any problem," Metz said.

"We would ask the court that the permit is null and void," Metz said. "We're going to ask that it start all over again."

He said the case would probably be filed sometime this week.

In a letter to Metz, attorney James Sinclair said if the residents had been given proper

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Fighting continues at schools

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

A 15-year-old student at Madison High School was treated and released at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite High School Friday after being "dropped on his head" during a fight over a notebook.

This is the latest in a number of incidents involving students fighting at MHS and Madison Middle School..

MADISON

Over the past few months, School Board members have met several times for disciplinary hearings. A number of students have been suspended or expelled over the incidents.

In the latest fight, two students — ages 15 and 16 — were charged by Madison police with misdemeanors in the incident, which occured at about 2:30 p.m.

According to police reports, the two were fighting over a

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Finishing touch

Staff photo by JOHN FRESE

Ron Parente, president of the Granite City Park District Board, shows off one of the last memorial bricks to be installed in the new walk path at the entrance of Wilson Park. The bricks, which are inscribed with the names of donors to the park district, line the inside perimeter of the paths.

Woman charged with fraud

By Scott Kelly
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY

A Granite City woman has been charged with fraud for allegedly writing fraudulent checks off the business accounts of Coleman's Industrial Hardware.

According to police reports, Marylin Sutterer, 49, from January 1996 through September 1997, wrote checks totaling over $50,000 for her own personal use. Sutterer was the bookkeeper at the hardware store, 2881 Madison Ave. in Granite City, for her ex-husband, Harold Sutterer.

"She was writing checks to herself, it appears," said Det. Sgt. Jeff Parker of the Granite City Police Department, who handled the investigation.

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**Gayle Huskey, 40, homemaker
Granite City**

"It would be hard to narrow it down to just one. I think I would settle for a long trip to Europe."

**Barbara Gagich, homemaker
Granite City**

"I would go to Jamaica. I've heard a lot of good thigs about Jamaica and think I would like it there."

**Arthur Hill, 52, self-employed
Granite City**

"I'd treat myself and my family to a long vacation. My sons are six and eight and we have never had a vacation together. My family would love to see Florida and go to Disney World."

**John Garner, 35, delivery man
Granite City**

"My one luxury would definately be a new home — without a mortgage. It would two-story brick, with five bedrooms, two family rooms, tons of windows, plenty of storage and nestled near a lake in the woods."

**Michelle Tuetken, 34, executive secretary
Granite City**

*Photos by Shirley Valencia
Interviews by Shirley Valencia
Interviewed in downtown Granite City*

Amphitheater may go elsewhere

**By Becky Vollmert
Telegraph staff writer**

The group wanting to resurrect the spirit of the old Mississippi River Festival with a new amphitheater on the outskirts of Edwardsville is looking at other possible sites.

Jim Grandone, spokesman for The Sonic Group, a consortium of six local and Florida-based businessmen, confirmed Monday the developers were considering other sites in the region.

"We were approached by a number of other people who were interested in having the amphitheater built on their land," Grandone said.

The decision to consider other locations is not because of the backlash of negative reaction from those who live near the proposed site at Bluff and New Poag roads near the campus of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, Grandone said.

"This is strictly a business decision. It's driven by numbers," he said.

"There are other sites in communities that have come up, and people have approached us," Grandone said. "We're considering every option."

Grandone declined to provide specifics about what communities or property owners might be interested in the amphitheater, billed as an indoor facility that would seat between 10,000 and 12,000 people, the walls of which could open in the summer months for an open-air feeling.

"It would not be in our best interest to discuss specific properties, because it could affect the price," Grandone said. He did, however, indicate the other sites were of comparable size to the 82-acre tract outside Edwardsville.

The fact that developers might be shopping the project to other communities doesn't mean Edwardsville is completely out of the running; in fact, the group last month extended its option to purchase the property.

"Edwardsville is still a viable consideration," Grandone said.

However, opponents of the project aren't putting much stock in Sonic's "options." One member of the primary opposition group, Neighbors for Amphitheater Awareness, said talk of other sites is a "scare tactic."

Woman surprises two intruders

A Venice woman that surprised three burglars who ransacked her home was lucky, according to police.

The three left after the woman found them late Monday evening, taking three rings.

Although the woman was not injured, Venice Police Chief James Newsome said she should have called police and waited for them to secure the home.

According to reports, at about midnight, police received a report of a burglary in the 600 block of Broadway. Entry was through the back door — secured by bars — where the alleged burglars busted the door frame.

The entire house had been ransacked.

The victim said she had returned home to find her back door open and the light on, when she entered her bedroom, she discovered three men.

The men left after she confronted them, and then she called police.

Newsome said anybody returning home to find the door open should call the police and let them make sure the building is secure.

"Not unless you think you left it unlocked," he said.

— Scott Cousins

Pi Sigma to celebrate first anniversary at SIUE

The first anniversary of the Pi Sigma chapter of The Order of Omega at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville will be celebrated Saturday in the University Center with guest speakers and discussions relating to alcohol use.

The free event will be in the Madison Room. It will begin with "mocktails" at 6:30 p.m., provided by the University Wellness Program. The keynote address, "Fat, Drunk and Stupid Is No Way to Go Through Life: The Changing Face of the Campus Greek System," will be at 7 p.m.

Guest speakers will be Lori Hart, dean of students at American College in Atlanta, Ga.; and Bob Kerr, Greek adviser at the University of Northern Colorado. The keynoters will be followed by a round-table discussion and a question-and-answer session.

Grahaeme A. Hesp, a member of the Student Organization Training and Development staff in the Kimmel Leadership Center and university adviser to The Order of Omega chapter, said the discussions will focus on various initiatives.

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notice they would have objected at the public hearing.

The State's Attorney's office acts as the legal representative of the county.

"The sign for the hearing was posted in a location where it was not likely to be seen by the residents on Thorngate (Drive)," the letter said. "Obviously, had they received notice, an objection would have been lodged. These folks learned of the approval of the special use only when a bulldozer appeared at the site and began work."

"The homeowners on Thorngate are extremely distressed about the prospect of having two large double-sided and lighted billboards directly across from their homes," the letter said.

In the meantime, Madison County Building and Zoning Administrator Joe Parente said the county was not going to allow the signs to go up yet.

"They can move dirt, but we're not going to allow them to build," he said.

Company officials could not be reached for comment.

CORRECTIONS

The names of two Granite City area war dead were accidentally omitted from the list published in Sunday's paper. The list should also include, from World War II, Omar Atchison and John Bargiel; and from the Korean War, Harold E. Hancock. The Journal regrets the error.

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The phone number for the Phi Theta Kappa Celebrity Auction March 4-5 at Belleville Area College's Granite City Campus, 4950 Maryville Road, was incorrect in Sunday's *Journal*. The correct phone number is 931-0600. The Journal regrets the error.

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Governor Jim Edgar presented an award to David Jacknewitz, chairman of the eighth annual Southwest Illinois Ethnic Day program and reception, held in Fairview Heights. Also pictured in the background is the Rev. Vartan Kassabian of the Armenian Church.

Ethnic Day brings nationalities together

By Kimberly Haas
Staff writer

Bright reds and greens were just some of the colors seen at the Eighth Annual Ethnic Day celebration on Monday.

Polish, Irish, German, Armenian, and Mexican were just some of the ethnicities represented at the event. Nearly 300 people gathered for Ethnic Day at the Caseyville Township Building in Fairview Heights.

For some, it was a return visit and, for others, it was the first time at the celebration.

"It's something to do. They show the different country's flags," said Laura Card of Fairview Heights. "I think I've been to almost all of the Ethnic Days."

For Jenny Johnson, it was the first time to the event.

"I've heard about it but I've just never come here," said the Fairview Heights resident.

Ethnic Day was founded by Fairview Heights resident David Jacknewitz. Jacknewitz now heads the Ethnic Day Committee, comprised of Everett Moody, Joseph Skowron, Fred Dintelman, Tom Schlatweiler, Gail Mitchell, Joyce Erno, Mary Ann Jones, Debbie Moore, Corrine Schloemann, Ruth Schaeffer, Maureen Lipe, Lydia Cruez, Jo Anne Seaton, and Pamela Jacknewitz.

Jacknewitz, who is of Polish and Lithuanian descent, began Ethnic Day to honor his Polish mother, Lucille Smolik. Smolik passed away five years ago but the event is still held every year on Casimir Pulaski Day.

"Ethnic Day is a day to honor America," Jacknewitz said.

Doug Wolfgang (center) visits Mitchell Fire Department members last month to personally thank them for getting him out of his wrecked car and to medical personnel quickly and safely.

Racer thanks Mitchell firefighters

By Scott Kelly
Staff writer

Sprint racer Doug Wolfgang's career ended suddenly last year at the Tri-City Speedway.

During the Frigidare All-Star Circuit of Champions Sept. 20, Wolfgang went into a spin, and was hit nearly head-on when another car tore the upper half of his car clean off.

"One car tore the rollcage off all the way down to the seat," said Mitchell Fire Chief Eddie Lee. Wolfgang's helmet was cracked.

Mitchell firefighters were performing fire services that day at the racetrack, and extracted Wolfgang from his wrecked car. It took about 30 minutes.

He was taken to St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City before being airlifted to St. Louis University. He had sustained a serious neck injury, and came close to being paralyzed.

However, thanks in part to the assistance of the Mitchell Fire Protection District, Wolfgang recovered.

"From what the doctors at St. Louis University and from the insurance companies, said, it was similar to the type of injury Christopher Reeve had," Lee said.

One SLU doctor said that a fraction of an inch on his head made the difference between recovery and paralysis like Reeve.

Last month, Wolfgang visited members of the fire department, whom he credits with helping give him a chance to go on living a normal life.

Because of the quick action of the firefighters and then excellent medical care, Wolfgang was able to recover after about four months.

Van victims grateful for support

By Jason White
Staff writer

Gwen Collins, one of 14 people riding in a van that flipped Feb. 19 on Interstate 55/70 near East St. Louis, thanked St. Louis area residents Tuesday for their support during the ordeal.

Area residents provided cards, gifts and donations, and church groups held prayer vigils. St. Mary's Hospital in East St. Louis provided free rooms for the family and paid for the plane fare back to Chicago.

"I'm very thankful for the people in this area who have come out and helped us," Gwen Collins said from a room at St. Mary's. "The good has more than outweighed the bad."

Roosevelt Sanders, the van's driver, died in the accident. The group was traveling from Chicago to Mardi Gras in New Orleans, where Gwen Collins lived as a child.

Roosevelt Sanders' wife, Sherry Sanders, 32, and their children — Roosevelt, 10; Jacqueline, 12; Channel, 3; and Christina, 9 — were treated at area hospitals. Jacqueline lost her left arm and was in the intensive care unit Wednesday at Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital in St. Louis.

Sherry Sanders is the sister of Gwen Collins. Her husband, Wanearl, 41, and children — Dominiquetric, 2; Warren, 15; and Erica, 12 — were treated at St. Mary's for abrasions, cuts and other injuries.

Erica Collins lay in a hospital bed Tuesday with a broken leg and clutched a stuffed white rabbit.

"These kids have been through a lot," Gwen Collins said. "We still have a long way to go, but they've been very brave."

The Collins family and seven other relatives were to return to Chicago Wednesday.

"Most of all, they just want to get home," Wanearl Collins said of his children.

Other family members involved in the accident were Barbara Smith, 58, the mother of Sherry Sanders and Gwen Collins; Jerome Jayles, 56; and Jessica Smith, 10.

Police are looking for the driver of a tractor-trailer truck

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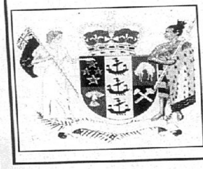

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OBITUARIES

Mitchell Sanders

MITCHELL H. SANDERS, 44, of South Roxana died Saturday, Feb. 28, 1998, at Alton Memorial Hospital. He was born Feb. 14, 1954, in St. Louis.

Mr. Sanders was a laborer at Olin Brass and a member of the Machinist Union Local 660.

Survivors include one son, Mitchell H. Sanders Jr. of South Roxana; a daughter, Carolyn Lynch of Roxana; his mother, Henrietta (Kohn) Sanders of Roxana; four brothers, Norman Sanders of South Roxana, Frank Sanders of Granite City, Timothy Sanders of Roxana and Jesse Sanders of Alton; seven sisters, Shirley Plunk of Benton, Henrietta Holms and Sara Cambell, both of Granite City, Gloria Smiley of Staunton, Velma Carter of Alton, Paula Reed of Marissa and Margie Burkley of Bethalto; and two grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father, Clyde Sanders Sr.; three brothers, Clyde Sanders Jr., John Sanders and Albert Sanders; and an uncle, Henry Kohn.

Services were Tuesday, March 3, at Bethalto Church of God with the Rev. Jesse Wiggins officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hills Cemetery in Edwardsville.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society and to the Veteran's Association.

Barbara Dudak

BARBARA F. (CRNKOVICH) DUDAK, 89, of Granite City died at 8:47 p.m. Friday, Feb. 27, 1998, in Granite City. She was born May 12, 1908, in St. Louis.

Mrs. Dudak was a cook at Madison High School for 20 years before retiring in 1972. She was a member of the Croatian Fraternal Union in Madison and St. Mary's Catholic Church in Madison.

Survivors include one son, Stephen Dudak of Granite City; two daughters, Illene Niemczyk of St. Louis and Marian Avedisian of Granite City; two sisters, Frances Vivod and Katherine Fedora, both of Granite City; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Frances (Muich) Crnkovich; her husband, Steve Dudak, who died in 1974; two daughters, Evelyn and Stephanie Dudak; three brothers, John, Andrew and Joseph; and one sister, Ann Zinn.

Services were Monday, March 2, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Madison with the Rev. Jim Keefner officiating. Burial followed in Calvary Cemetery in Glen Carbon.

Irwin Chapel in Granite City made the arrangements. Memorials may be made to St. Mary's Memorial Fund, St. Mary's Catholic Church in Madison.

Rita Cronovich

RITA (SCHMELTER) CRONOVICH, 71, of Cahokia died Saturday, Feb. 28, 1998, at Memorial Hospital in Belleville. She was born June 12, 1926, in East St. Louis.

Mrs. Cronovich was a member of VFW Womens Auxiliary 1699 of Cahokia. She retired from Boyds Clothing in St. Louis after 30 years. She was a member of the AARP and Holy Family Church.

Survivors include four sons, Alex Sokalsky of Waterloo, Mark Cronovich of Fairmont City, Peter John "Pete" Cronovich of Collinsville and Mathew Cronovich of Ferguson, Mo.; a daughter, Regina Abel of Cahokia; one sister, Mary Burress of Caseyville; two brothers, Muriel Schmelter of LeMay, Mo., and Robert Schmelter of Granite City; 12 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Alexander Sokalsky Sr.; her husband, Peter J. Cronovich Sr.; her parents, Louis A. and Agnes (Rehg) Schmelter; her daughter, Rosanna Croff; her brother, Arvel Schmelter; and a sister, Dorothy Schmelter.

Services were Tuesday, March 3, at Holy Family Church in Cahokia with the Rev. John T. Myler officiating. Burial was in Holy Cross Cemetery in Fairview Heights.

Donations may be made to the Holy Family Church.

Charles Cottrell

CHARLES L. COTTRELL of Granite City died at 11:42 a.m. Monday, March 2, 1998, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City.

A purchasing agent for Emerson Electric in St. Louis, Mr. Cottrell served in the Army during World War II. He was a member of the Elks Lodge 1063 in Granite City and attended the Nameoki United Methodist Church in Granite City.

Survivors include his wife of 48 years, Roberta (Martin) Cottrell; two daughters, Patricia Lattimore of Edwardsville and Cheryl Conboy of St. Louis; one brother, Everett Cottrell of Glen Carbon; one sister, Erma Beida of Granite City; and three grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Brooks and Sadie (Andrews) Cottrell; and one brother, Harry Cottrell.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. today, Wednesday, at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 5, at Irwin Chapel with the Rev. James Hahs officiating. The remains will be cremated.

Muriel Parks

MURIEL B. (RAMERIZ) PARKS, 84, of Azalea, Ore., died at 10:55 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 26, 1998.

A former Granite City resident, she was born Jan. 15, 1914, in Calhoun County.

Survivors include five daughters, Norma Jean Alexander of Azalea, Ore., Doris Moore of South Roxana, Phillis Robinson of Highland, Jackie Taylor of Bonita, La., and Catherine Cook of Panacea, Fla.; three sons, William Parks Jr. of Glen Carbon, Vernon Parks of Kewanee, Ill., and Robert Parks of Granite City; two brothers, Howard Sebus of Fallon, Nev., and Fred Sebus of Reno, Nev.; two sisters, Alice Candee of Capastrano, Calif., and Doris Ackerman of Carson City, Nev.; 32 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Able and Minnie (Depper) Rameriz; her husband, William Parks Sr., who died in 1980; and one son, Darrell Parks.

Services were Tuesday, March 3, at Mercer Chapel in Granite City with the Rev. Jim Parks officiating. Burial followed in St. John's Cemetery on Nameoki Road in Granite City. Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

George Christoff

GEORGE CHRISTOFF, 79, of Pontoon Beach died at 12:14 a.m. Friday, Feb. 27, 1998, at his residence. He was born June 22, 1918, in Troy and was a longtime resident of Granite City.

Mr. Christoff retired after working in the maintenance department of the Mars Oil Co. for 30 years.

Survivors include his wife, Clara Dandridge, whom he married Aug. 17, 1946; three daughters, Glenda Carell of Sumner, Wash., Donna Halterkamp of Azusa, Calif., and Janet McBride of Spanish Lake, Mo.; three sisters, Stella Hogue of Sorento, Sophia Clemons of Madison and Dorothy Parker of Granite City; 11 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Chris and Mary (Humenik) Christoff; and one brother, Nick, in 1991.

Services were Monday, March 2, at Werner Chapel in Pontoon Beach with the Rev. Frances Tebugana of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church officiating. Burial followed in Sunset Hills Memorial Estates.

Vanessa Mullis

VANESSA A. "PEBBLES" (BURCH) MULLIS, 33, of Granite City died Saturday, Feb. 28, 1998, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. She was born April 5, 1964, in Buford, S.C.

Mrs. Mullis was employed by Corporate Express-Ideal in Belleville as a sales representative. She was affiliated with Mount Zion Baptist Church.

Survivors include her fiance, Bradley Rooney of Granite City; two sons, Ricky and Jaron Mullis, both of Granite City; her parents, Leroy and Nora (Williams) Burch; one brother, Sam Burch of Edwardsville; three sisters, Teri Pingel of Collinsville, Vesa Blanton of Baton Rouge, La., and Nedra Kerns of Granite City.

She was preceded in death by her brother, Kevin Burch, who died in 1985.

Services were Tuesday, March 3, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City with the Rev. Ken Miller officiating. Burial was in Valley View Cemetery in Edwardsville.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Preston R. Bequeret

PRESTON R. BEQUERET, 89, of Anna died Monday, March 2, 1998 at City Care Nursing Home in Anna.

Mr. Bequeret was retired chief of security for Hunter Meat Packing in East St. Louis. He was a member of Canteen Baptist Church in Fairmont City.

Surviving are his daughters, Beverly J. Garris of Anna and Barbara A. Payne of Granite City; sisters, Onieda L. Shaner of Newnan, Ga., Josephine Herderhorst of McLeansboro, Muriel Maine of Kane, June A. Maine of Lansing, Mich., Ethel Dee of Belleville; five grandchildren, Rebecca, Kathy, Herbert, Donna, and Tammy.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Virginia H. (Anderson) Bequeret; daughter, Doris Jean Bequeret; and parents, Joseph A. and Viola Rose (Sweeny) Bequeret.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, March 5 at Kurrus Funeral Home in Belleville with the Revs. Raymond Trimble and Jim Martin officiating. Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Burial will be in Lake View Memorial Gardens in Fairview Heights.

Carl Clark Sr.

CARL H. CLARK SR., 86, of Granite City died at 10:10 p.m. Sunday, March 1, 1998, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He was born Aug. 10, 1911, in Erin, Tenn.

Mr. Clark lived in Granite City for the last 50 years. He owned a lumber business and a tire business before retiring.

Survivors include his wife, Lula, whom he married Sept. 7, 1932; three sons, Carl Jr. of Madison, Charles of Belleville and James of Granite City; three daughters, Frankie Barnett of Wood River, Jo Ann Lucas of Madison and Betsey Obenhouse of Granite City; 21 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Minnie (Clark) Clark; three brothers, Paul, Earl and Wilber; and one sister, Pearl.

Services are at 11 a.m. today, Wednesday, at Werner Chapel with the Rev. Alan Redfern officiating. Burial will follow in Sunset Hills Memorial Estates in Edwardsville.

Haril Kendall

HARIL V. KENDALL, 65, of Granite City died at 8:12 a.m. Monday, March 2, 1998, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He was born Feb. 7, 1933, in Kentucky.

Mr. Kendall lived in Granite City for 33 years. He was employed by Granite City Steel in maintenance for 23 years until his retirement in 1992. He was original co-owner of Kendall Appliance of Granite City and a member of the West 22nd Street Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Betty (Hester) Kendall; his mother, Ora Mae (Stallons) Noel of Edwardsville; five sons, Vic, Randy, Larry, Jerry and Dale, all of Granite City; three daughters, Retta Dodd, Cheryl Kendall and Sharon Oliver, all of Granite City; one brother, David Noel Sr. of Granite City; one sister, Joanne Coakley of Granite City; 14 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his father, Rudolph Noel; and one son, James Kendall, in 1982.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. today, Wednesday, at Werner Chapel in Granite City.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, March 5, at the West 22nd Street Baptist Church with the Rev. Les Atkins and the Rev. Richard Styles officiating. Burial will follow in Sunset Hills Memorial Estates in Edwardsville.

Memorials may be made to the family.

Carole Hill

CAROLE A. (CHLIBEC) HILL, 62, of Granite City died at 4:45 p.m. Monday, March 2, 1998, at her place of residence with her family at her side.

Mrs. Hill was born on July 11, 1935, in Madison. She had been a homemaker and a member of the St. Elizabeth Catholic Church in Granite City.

Survivors include her mother, Anna (Houba) Chlibec of Granite City; two sons, Phillip Hill Jr. of Fairview Heights and Michael Hill Sr. of Sand Springs, Okla.; and one daughter, Tamara Dittamore of Granite City; one brother, Donald Chlibec of Waterloo; and 10 grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Phillip Hill Sr.; and her father, Frank Chlibec.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. today, March 4, at Thomas Mortuary in Granite City.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 5, at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church in Granite City with Rev. Tom Leibler officiating. Burial will be at Buck Road.

Memorials can be made to the American Cancer Society or Masses.

We want photographs

The *Granite City Press-Record/Journal* encourages local schools and organizations to send us photos of your activities.

Preference is given to photographs (black-and-white or color) that clearly show the people involved. Multiple photos of the same event are encouraged if the photos are not duplicative.

Fraud

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Harold Sutterer had conducted an internal audit, Parker said, and turned the information over to an insurance company. They discovered a deceptive practice on the part of an employee, and Harold Sutterer approached the police.

Marylin Sutterer turned herself in to the police Friday, Parker said.

"She kept herself silent," Parker said, and had an attorney present during the police interview. Right now, he said, police don't know why she took ***the money, becuase she isn't talking.***

Sutterer posted bond on Friday.

Fighting

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notebook when the 16-year-old picked up the younger student and dropped him on his head.

The younger student was taken to SEMC, where he was treated and released.

"They call us and we arrest them," Police Chief Steve Skoklo said. "It does seem like a lot (of fights), but I don't know what the reason is."

Because of the holiday Monday, school district officials could not be reached for comment.

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Students show off skills in high school competition

Students from 17 area high schools had a chance to show off their brain power in the worldwide Youth in Science and Engineering Academic Challenge, held recently at Belleville Area College's Belleville campus.

The WYSE competition included tests in math, English, chemistry, physics, biology, engineering graphics and computer fundamentals. Students competed individually and in teams for medals and a chance to compete at the state level. The high school teams were divided into three divisions according to size of the school's enrollment.

The following is a list of team and individual achievements:

Division I

FIRST PLACE — O'FALLON TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL: Kevin Alford, tied for first place in biology and tied for first place in chemistry; Amber Bowers, tied for third place in biology and tied for eighth place in English; Adam Fulford, tied for third place in physics and tied for sixth place in mathematics; Andrea Geoghegan, tied for third place in chemistry; Shaun Hunter, tied for first place in biology and tied for first place in chemistry; Nabiha Huq, sixth place in biology and tied for fifth place in chemistry; Joel Jordan, second place in physics and tied for third place in computer fundamentals; Robert Laedlein, seventh place in biology; Sean Lowery, fifth place in mathematics and tied for fifth place in English; James Poblete, eighth place in mathematics; Ricky Rojas, first place in physics and second place in mathematics; Jeff Stacey, tied for third place in physics and tied for third place in chemistry; Richard Surowiec, tied for first place in computer fundamentals and tied for third place in mathematics; and Cecilia Ziniti, tied for third place in English.

SECOND PLACE — BELLEVILLE WEST: Sean DonCarlos, tied for first place in computer fundamentals and first place in mathematics; Dan Eugea, tied for third place in mathematics; Kyle Leesman, tied for third place in biology; James Lentz, tied for fifth place in chemistry and fifth place in physics; Nicky Monteith, tied for third place in English; Kristen Rehg, first place in English; Mike Weingartner, fifth place in computer fundamentals and tied for sixth place in mathematics; and David Wild, eighth place in biology.

THIRD PLACE — HIGHLAND HIGH SCHOOL: Dameon Bourland, tied for seventh place in computer fundamentals and seventh place in graphics; Katie Driesner, tied for eighth place in chemistry; and Alison Sievers, tied for eighth place in chemistry.

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Other winners from other Division I schools included:

BELLEVILLE EAST: Blake Edwards, second place in English; Michelle Campbell, fifth place in biology; Jeremy Papp, tied for eighth place in chemistry; and David Schmitt, tied for eighth place in physics.

MASCOUTAH HIGH SCHOOL: Felipe Gasper, tied for sixth place in physics; Richard Lang, tied for third place in computer fundamentals; and David Kessler, tied for fifth place in English.

WATERLOO HIGH SCHOOL: Scott Brown, eighth place in graphics; Dan Kennedy, second place in graphics; An-Phong Le, sixth place in computer fundamentals; John Livengood, tied for sixth place in physics; Clay Miller, tied for seventh place in computer fundamentals; and Corey Proctor, tied for seventh place in computer fundamentals.

GRANITE CITY HIGH SCHOOL: Stacy Ellis, first place in graphics; Steve Moss, fifth place in graphics; Cara Nighohossian, tied for eighth place in chemistry; and Cory Simpson, seventh place in chemistry.

ALTHOFF HIGH SCHOOL: Nathan Harter, third place in graphics; Tim Henry, sixth place in Graphics; Nicole Honerkamp, seventh place in English; B.J. Jordan, fourth place in graphics; Jim Pajares, tied for eighth place in physics; and Jessica Vick, tied for eighth place in English.

Division II and III

FIRST PLACE — FREEBURG HIGH SCHOOL: Aaron Gerfen, sixth place in physics and tied for first place in graphics; Samantha Goodwin, eighth place in English and tied for second place in chemistry; Ryan Mank, tied for second place in chemistry and second place in biology; Beth Middendorf, fourth place in mathematics; Clarice Schaefer, second place in English and tied for fourth place in biology; Laura Schaefer, tied for sixth place in English and tied for second place in chemistry; Nik Skaer, tied for sixth place in graphics; Jim Sodam, tied for sixth place in chemistry and third place in graphics; and Corey Wagner, first place in biology and fifth place in chemistry.

SECOND PLACE — RED BUD HIGH SCHOOL: Brian Doty, first place in chemistry and third place in biology; Tim Franklin, tied for fifth place in computer fundamentals and tied for fourth place in graphics; Ben Guebert, tied for sixth place in graphics; Hilary Letcher, tied for sixth place in English; Becky Mudd, tied for fourth place in English; and Derek Polk, tied for first place in graphics and eighth place in computer fundamentals.

THIRD PLACE — SPARTA HIGH SCHOOL: Matt King, tied for fifth place in mathematics; Brett Matzenbacher, second place in mathematics and fourth place in physics; Nathan Pigford, third place in mathematics and third place in physics; Jamie Sparks, tied for fourth place in biology; Nathan Uchtmann, fifth place in physics; and Pat Zweigart, first place in mathematics and first place in physics.

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Winners from other Division II and III schools include:

COLUMBIA HIGH SCHOOL: Laura Hayden, tied for seventh place in physics; Justin Lewis, tied for fifth place in mathematics; Stacie Thoma, first place in English and tied for sixth place in chemistry; and David Wilde, second place in physics.

DUPO HIGH SCHOOL: Deanna Bell, third place in English; Mark Branson, tied for fifth in mathematics; fourth place in English; Matt Branson, tied for eighth place in biology.

GIBAULT HIGH SCHOOL: Mike Braun, tied for sixth place in chemistry; Desiree Frasure, tied for seventh place in physics; Peter Groesling, eighth place in graphics; Aaron Kaestner, tied for second place in computer fundamentals; Jeremy LeSaulnier, tied for sixth place in chemistry; and Jeff Weinhoff, eighth place in biology.

LEBANON HIGH SCHOOL: Alex Laurie, first place in computer fundamentals and tied for eighth place in mathematics; Sarah Pasek, seventh place in biology; Dan Pier, tied for fourth place in graphics; Sabine Koebel, tied for eighth place in biology; and James Shinevar, tied for fifth place in computer fundamentals.

Poker

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"There is a good policy reason to prohibit these devices. The state has ruled that gambling is a vice not to be encouraged. That's why we have gambling only on the boats, because it restricts the availability of gambling and limits its pervasiveness," Haine said.

He also said there is a great concern over fraud in the operation of such devices.

"The user has no way of knowing if he is being fleeced. If he is, he has no recourse. The possibility that operators could defraud the players is a great concern," Haine said.

Haine pointed out that his oath of office commands him to act on the illegal gambling.

"I don't have any choice. This is the hand that was dealt to me. If people want these devices legalized, they should contact their legislators. I am a soldier, and the local police are soldiers, and the generals are in Springfield," he said.

Midwives

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She completed her degree in nursing at SIUE in 1976 and her master's degree from the University of Evansville in 1986. She taught at SIUE for 10 years and finally, last year, received her certificate in midwifery from the University of Illinois at Chicago.

"I planned to do this for 22 years," said Combs. "But I couldn't have done this back then; there was nowhere to practice. The first time I heard about midwives in Southern Illinois, I went back to school."

Today, Combs is one of two midwives who deliver at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. St. Elizabeth is the only hospital in the Metro Eastthat allows midwives to deliver babies. Midwives are on staff at a few St. Louis hospitals, Combs said.

Another certified midwife, Karen Baum, cares for low-income mothers who receive subsidized health care services through St. Elizabeth's Koch Family Health Center.

Combs, the only midwife in private practice in the Metro East, works at the Woman's Center of Metro-East Ltd. in Granite City and Edwardsville in an office with Dr. Gerard Malnar and Dr. J. Hoon Kim.

"Dr. Malnar did his residency in Georgia and he was used to working with a midwife," said Combs. "So he added it as part of his practice here."

The number of babies delivered by midwives has been gradually increasing nationally from around 1 percent in 1975 to between 5 and 6 percent in 1995. Still, Combs said, some misconceptions about midwives prevail.

"There are a lot of people who still think all midwives are lay midwives, like they were a long time ago — local women who might have a lot of experience delivering babies," she said.

Now, she said, midwives are experienced and educated. The relationship with the doctor she describes as independent but in collaboration, to help give women the best care possible.

"I deal with the medically uncomplicated pregnancies. If there is a problem, the woman is transferred to a doctor's care," Combs said.

Even insurance companies now cover deliveries by midwives.

"A midwife hired by a physician is generally covered through the physician on all of the insurance plans in which the physician participates," Combs said. "A certified midwife employed by a hospital or clinic will only be covered if the insurance company specifies they cover certified midwives. Also, Illinois Medicaid covers certified midwives care."

The advantages, she said, in a woman's decision to deliver by midwife is the time midwives devote to their patients.

"In long arduous labors, I'm there through the entire labor," Combs said. "We are able to help with pain management. We encourage the least invasive, the most natural birth a woman can handle and still have a good experience."

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Type O blood urgently needed

By Dennis Grubaugh
Telegraph staff writer

Mankind's most common blood type is in critically short supply in the region.

"We have no Type O blood for any hospital emergency and haven't had for the last week and a half," American Red Cross representative Marlene Bauer said Wednesday.

Bauer, who is donor recruitment representative for eight counties in Central Illinois, said Type O is used in 52 percent of hospital surgeries and in almost all emergencies.

Often doctors do not have time to type blood and use O as a "universal" substitute, Bauer said.

Units are needed so badly they aren't even put into storage.

"As soon as it is tested, it goes right out the door," she said.

Thirty-six percent of the population has O positive blood, and 6 percent has O negative.

Type B negative blood is also in short supply, she said.

Shortages occur a few times a year because of a combination of factors, including the number of surgeries, accidents, premature babies and donors.

Blood is divided up between hospitals based on their needs. If a certain blood type is not available, other Red Cross regions must be contacted to see if blood can be shipped in.

"But we must pay it back," Bauer said. "It's like robbing Peter to pay Paul." A number of blood drives have been slated to fill the need.

"We could get back in the safety zone if we have good turnout in the next two days," Bauer said. "If we could get everybody in our computer system to donate two times a year, we'd never be short."

A special blood drive is being held from 2 to 6 p.m. Friday at the Alton Multispecialists building, 1 Professional Drive, Alton, across from Holiday Inn.

Other drives include:

Monday, 3 to 7 p.m., Bethalto Church of God, Fellowship Hall, 800 Bethalto Road, Bethalto.

Tuesday, 4 to 8 p.m., Madison Mutual Insurance Co., 1 Mutual Court, Edwardsville, sponsored by Glen Carbon Jaycees.

Tuesday, 2 to 6 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 237 N. Kansas St., Edwardsville.

Red Cross has details on other locations and times. Call either 656-1407 or 465-7704 for more information.

Shrine will host volunteer groups

Dozens of volunteer agencies will participate in Volunteer Showcase April 26 at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows in Belleville.

The event is sponsored by Catholic Fraternal Life and will run from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Volunteer Showcase culminates National Volunteer Week, April 19-26, which also is National Fraternal Week. CFL is a fraternal insurance organization whose members volunteer for important, people-helping projects, such as Habitat for Humanity. Volunteer Showcase will display these agencies to potential volunteers while highlighting the accomplishments of current volunteers. Mayors from throughout the area have been invited to kick off the event with a flag presentation.

The winners of six college scholarships for Catholic high school seniors who exemplify volunteer service in their communities, schools and parishes will be announced by CFL President and CEO John L. Lengerman. These scholarships are underwritten by CFL, which also offers a broad range of life insurance and annuity products.

Each volunteer agency will have a door prize drawing, which will be held throughout the afternoon. Refreshments will be available. For more information or to reserve a table, call CFL at 234-4587.

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Westoff says marketing is tourism key

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

The key to bringing in more tourism dollars is marketing, which requires money, according to Mark Westhoff of the Southwestern Illinois Tourism and Convention Bureau.

Westhoff recently told the bureau's Advisory Board that he wants to double their budget to $1.2 million in the next year.

He said such an increase would have an economic impact similar to "another Scott Air Force Base" in the area, and would double the economic impact of tourism within three years.

Tourism in the region is the area's second largest industry, contributing almost a half-billion dollars.

The figures come from the U.S. Travel Data Center/Travel Industry Association, and are based on 1996 data.

Part of the reason for the increase is a change in marketing strategy over the past few years, Westhoff said.

Instead of spending dollars regionally, he said they are advertising outside of the region.

"That brings in a whole new raw dollar," he said. "It's not the same region dollar used over and over again, it's from outside the region."

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>
> **Mark Westoff**
> bureau spokesman

"Because of a redirection of marketing, you will see that continue on for another three years, then it will level off," he said.

He said the St. Louis Convention and Visitor's Bureau brings in about $125 for every dollar it spends.

"For every dollar we spend we get more than $800 back," Westhoff said. "The difference is that we are so short on money we have to evaluate everything we do."

Westhoff said more funds are necessary to adequately promote tourism in the region.

He said of about 40 tourism bureau in Illinois, his is the only one that doesn't receive all of the region's hotel-motel tax.

"We're doing a wonderful job of it, but it could easily double with an infusion of normal revenue," he said.

Most of the budget comes from contributions from local municipalities hotel/motel, or bed tax. The tax is levied on each room rental.

However, many communities keep most of their bed tax revenue, which must be spent to promote tourism.

"Using the money to fund little festivals in your community gets you basically nowhere," Westhoff said. "It keeps you busy but doesn't get you anywhere."

He said it is a matter of educating politicians about the benefits of marketing regionally.

"There is no easy way to do it, I can't force anybody to do anything," he said. "All I can do is educate people."

Girl Scouts prepare for birthday celebration

Girl Scouts in River Bluffs Girl Scout Council will join more than 3 million members of the U.S. Girl Scouts to celebrate the organization's 86th birthday.

Girl Scout Week is March 8-14.

Girl Scout Week is celebrated annually and commemorates the beginning of the Girl Scout movement in the United States on March 12, 1912.

On that day, founder Juliette Gordon Low met with 18 girls in Savannah, Ga., to form the first troop.

During the week, local Girl Scouts will participate in a variety of activities and events, often conducting community service projects with their troops.

Many set up displays in their schools or in public buildings to trace the history of Girl Scouting and to show what Girl Scouts are doing today.

Some will also have Girl Scout birthday parties.

> *Girl Scout Week is March 8-14.*

The first nationwide Girl Scout Week was celebrated October 1919 in conjunction with the birthday of Low.

In 1954, the event was officially changed to the week of March 12.

Highlights of this year's celebration includes Girl Scout Sunday, March 8; Be Your Best Day, March 10; and the birthday March 12.

U.S. Girl Scouts is the largest voluntary organization for girls in the world.

Its sole focus is to meet the special needs of all girls from diverse racial, ethnic and socioeconomic backgrounds.

River Bluffs Girl Scout Council, headquartered in Glen Carbon, is a nonprofit organization serving approximately 10,000 girls and 2,500 adult volunteers in a 5½-county jurisdiction including, Calhoun, Jersey, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair and parts of Macoupin, Clinton and Randolph counties.

For more information, call the River Bluffs at 692-0692 or check us out on the web at www.edwpub.com/orgs/gsa.

Scouts mark 'Be Best' day

Girl Scouts in River Bluffs Girl Scout Council will join millions of Girl Scouts nationwide to celebrate the fourth annual Be Your Best Day on March 10.

The Girl Scouts are issuing a call to action to everyone in the country — men, women, and children — to pledge to be their best on that day. Whether it involves an individual commitment, a pledge to do something special for the community, serving as a mentor, completing a project you've put off, or making a promise to do a good deed for a friend or neighbor, the campaign is a chance for everyone to celebrate the values of our country and of Girl Scouting.

Today with more than three million members, U.S. Girl Scouts is the largest voluntary organization for girls in the world. Its sole focus is to meet the special needs of all girls from diverse racial, ethnic, and socioeconomic backgrounds.

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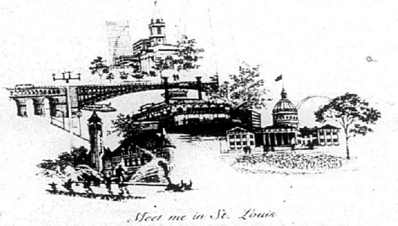
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OSHA probes hospital short-circuit

By Becky Vollmer
Telegraph staff writer

The federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration is investigating an accident at Anderson Hospital in which two electricians working on the main transformer were badly burned.

The men — John Williams of Collinsville and Mike Issacs of Litchfield — remained in critical condition Friday in the burn unit of St. John's Mercy Medical Center in west St. Louis County, a hospital spokesman said.

Issacs, 44, is suffering from second- and third-degree burns on more than 69 percent of his body. Williams, 49, was burned over 64 percent of his body, the spokesman said.

The two were injured Tuesday while trying to tie into the hospital's main transformer. They were working on a 480-volt panel when it short-circuited, said Natalie Head, assistant director of community relations at Anderson.

Officials initially thought the two suffered electric burns, which are internal burns caused by currents that run through the body.

On Wednesday, however, Anderson officials said the pair were not electrocuted; they were hurt when a "flash" occurred, creating external burns.

Second-degree burns can cause blistering and peeling of the skin. The more severe third-degree type can burn away skin, muscle, fatty tissue and even bone.

"We're looking at the matter," Wes Taylor, OSHA's assistant area director, said Wednesday from his office in Fairview Heights.

He said OSHA representatives will investigate "until we're satisfied" but would not comment further.

Among things OSHA could look at are whether the workers were wearing proper protective gear — including low-voltage rubber electrical gloves, safety glasses, a hard hat and 100 percent cotton clothing — and whether it was necessary to work on the panel while electricity was flowing through it.

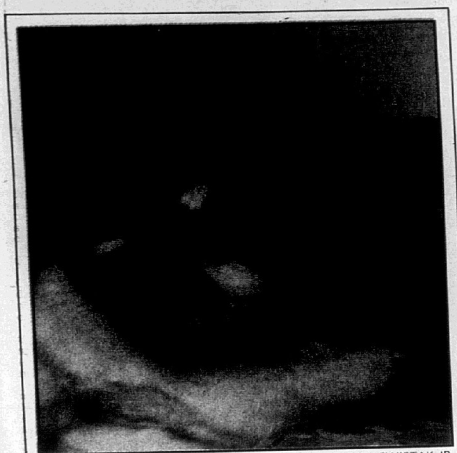
The short in the transformer shut down parts of the hospital Tuesday, but most operations resumed Wednesday. The computer system was restored, and the surgery schedule returned to normal. The lights in the lobby, some in the cafeteria and the hospital's main elevators remained out of service, Head said.

While waiting for new panels to be installed, the hospital ran on generators.

"We anticipate repairs to be complete Friday," Head said.

In an effort to help the hospital, First Baptist Church of Maryville — across the street from Anderson — offered the use of its kitchen so food workers could prepare hot meals for patients' lunches.

"Anytime something like that comes up, we're equally willing to help each other out," said Michelle Lovelace, a secretary at the church.



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Scott stands ready to defend U.S. policy

By Mark Hodapp
Staff writer

The United States Air Force doesn't make policy. It just enforces it.

That was U.S. Air Force 1st Lt. Richelle Dowdell's reaction last week to President Bill Clinton's decision to delay a possible attack on Iraq.

"Everything remains status quo at Scott," she said Thursday. "We are waiting for the president to tell us what to do next."

Clinton gave his approval Monday to a U.N. agreement with Saddam Hussein for monitoring suspected sites in Iraq.

Clinton, however, warned if Iraq reneges on a commitment to make possible chemical and biological weapons sites subject to inspection, the consequences would be very serious.

SAFB continues to do its daily tasks, while it remains "on a high alert status," Dowdell said.

Scott was placed on this status Feb. 7.

"If the balloon goes up, we all will be working," Dowdell said.

In fact, the Tanker Airlift Control Center at SAFB is still working around the clock in preparation of a battle.

The TACC is the Air Mobility Command's hub for planning and directing a fleet of more than 1,300 aircraft.

SAFB's Crisis Action Teams and Crisis Support Teams have also been activated, but have been dropped back to minimal manning status, Dowdell said.

Both the CAT and CSS teams — which includes ministers and public affair officials — are assembled when some major world event is taking place, she said.

Questions arise from ESL decision

By Jason White
Staff writer

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>
> **Stephanie Carpenter**
> superintendent

One side envisions an academic and athletic powerhouse that will draw students and vault East St. Louis into national prominence.

The other sees an overcrowded building that will be a further detriment to a school district already struggling to educate its students.

Now, the future will tell whether closing an East St. Louis tradition was the right decision. This fall, Lincoln Senior High School students *will be moving to their cross-town rivals, East St. Louis Senior High School.*

The East St. Louis School District 189 Board of Education voted unanimously Thursday to merge the two schools. The five-minute meeting was preceded by weeks of protests and a student-led march on the administration building.

Before she voted, board member and Lincoln graduate Frankie Seaberry asked those in the audience to work with the school district to make the merger a success.

"Let's do the best we can, because we are all East St. Louisans," Seaberry said.

After Seaberry voted "yes" to end the meeting, Lincoln supporters left the administration building singing the school song. Others remained in their chairs, and some wept.

Many students have said they won't go to East Side.

But Superintendent Stephanie Carpenter said the district's declining enrollment made the merger the only practical choice.

"I feel it's my job to look at the greater good," Carpenter said. "You don't plan for tomorrow, you plan for the future."

The merger will move all ninth-graders to East Side, and Hughes-Quinn-Rock Junior High School students will move to Lincoln. East Side will have about 3,000 students, about 300 less than full capacity.

Hughes-Quinn-Rock, one of the district's oldest buildings, would have needed about $3 million in repairs to avoid the state's wrecking ball.

Sixth-graders will attend junior high schools so that elementary class sizes can be reduced, part of the agreement that settled a month-long teacher's strike last fall.

"This is something that's going to change the direction of education in this town for the next 30 years," Carpenter said.

Critics have said closing the city's first black school sends the wrong message. Lincoln's famous graduates include Olympic gold medalist Jackie Joyner-Kersee, U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations Donald McHenry and jazz musician Miles Davis.

The school also has a reputation for top-flight academic, athletic and musical programs in its five-decade history at its present location on the city's south end. Lincoln has existed in several locations since 1871.

"I understand the feelings — we all do," Carpenter said. "Everyone knows what's behind this. The heart feeling goes with you," she said. "Take it with you."

Carpenter said she would visit both schools in coming weeks to explain the merger. *Some students have said they felt left out of the decision-*making process.

"I haven't done it before this because we've been getting information every day," she said. "I regret that we haven't been able to get the information out before now."

The school will need about $5 million in renovations to get ready for the new students. Some larger classrooms will be divided into smaller classrooms.

Family

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that reportedly was following the van. Gwen Collins said she believes the truck rear-ended the van. The Illinois State Police have said there is no evidence of a collision.

"All I saw was a big light from behind us and it happened so fast," Gwen Collins said. "I felt the impact of the truck hitting us.

"The way we tumbled down the highway, there had to be some force to push us," she said.

"The only thing all of us remember is tumbling in the van and at some point we blacked out," she said. "All we remember was those firetrucks and how those people helped us."

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Basketball squad is Team of the Week

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Cahokia hockey team honored in program

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Art Voellinger

Prep hockey deserves full-fledged sport status

In recent years, I do not recall receiving as many thanks for a column as I have for the Feb. 1 piece headlined "Prep Hockey Worth Price of Admission."

Apparently, my reference to the Mississippi Valley Club Hockey Association and its efforts to provide for the young men involved in a rapidly growing sport was most welcomed.

I also got the impression that readers understood more than my pleasure related to $3 admission that leads to high caliber action — whether on the 14-team varsity or 12-team junior varsity level.

My hope is that within a few years, the MVCHA becomes not a "club" league but a full-fledged high school sport. The association already has the players, the sites (with Fairview Heights and its two rinks nearly ready for next season), the coaches, cheerleaders and administrators and approximately $20,000 per team coming from interested parents and boosters.

The teams even wear the nicknames of their respective high schools, some are recognized in yearbooks and school newspapers and a few even receive letters at school award ceremonies.

Cost, no doubt, is the reason southwestern Illinois area schools have not rushed to provide hockey as an athletic option, but regardless of the concern for matters like insurance or ice time fees, hockey *is* a high school sport at some schools in the state.

Specifically, Homewood-Flossmoor and Stevenson high schools are in their fourth seasons of prep hockey with coaches on the payroll and the players treated and recognized like any other high school student-athlete.

According to H-F coach Don Bridgeman, "the school picks up about 90 percent of the ice costs, but we do fund-raisers, then the kids and their parents pay the rest.

"The players still pay for the equipment, which can cost anywhere from $1,000 to $2,000 for a goalie."

At Stevenson, athletic director John Martin said: "The Stevenson Hockey Association put together an incredible organization, and they came together with the school in the best interest of our athletes. There's no difference at Stevenson between a football player and a hockey player."

"We're not the orphan out on a limb anymore," said Stevenson coach Lee LaCroix. "We started the program four years ago with just 22 kids. Now we have 65. We're almost like a college program. Everything is open to everyone."

Could the same thing happen in our area, where I believe water freezes just as it does up north? My guess is schools with an eye on money will drag their skates — er — feet on the issue, but that really is not necessary.

All the administrators have to do is look at the instant success of high school bowling in southwestern Illinois where the bowling proprietors represent an interest similar to that of the MVCHA officials.

Maybe compromise is best here, although that still might not include as much as I seek for the players. At New Trier, for instance, where the school boasts one of the most powerful hockey programs in the state, the team is pictured in the yearbook and mentioned during announcements, but players do not receive varsity letters or financial help. The school, does, however, offer

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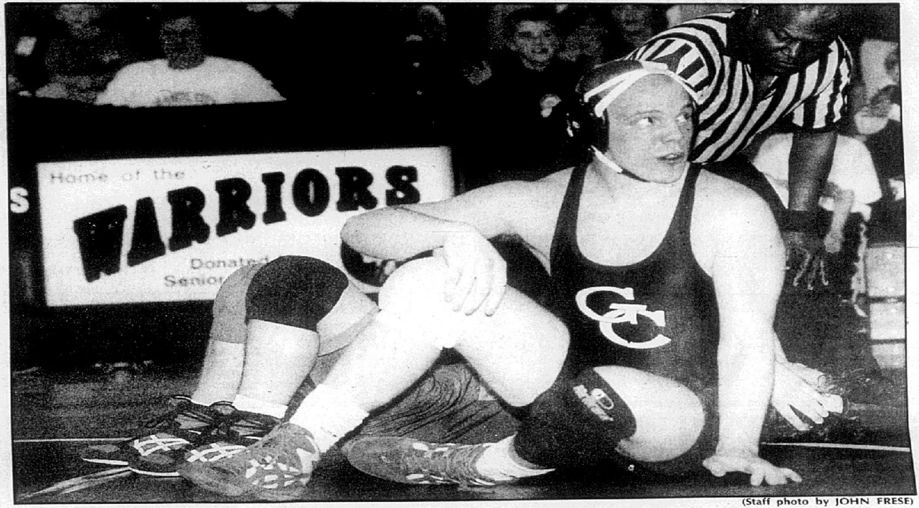
Granite beaten in quarterfinals



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Granite City's Kevin Venne won a 10-2 decision in his match Saturday morning against Chicago Mount Carmel, but the Warriors lost a 48-15 decision in the IHSA Class AA state quarterfinals.

New Lenox Providence wins title

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

PREP WRESTLING

For the first time since Chicago Mount Carmel won three straight state dual team championships from 1992-1994, Illinois has a repeat champion in the IHSA Class AA wrestling tournament.

New Lenox Providence powered past a trio of quality opponents on Saturday at the EastSide Centre in East Peoria to claim the school's second state title in a row and fourth since 1987.

The Celtics (29-2) forfeited their last two matches against Chicago Mount Carmel (24-1), making the final margin (31-27) closer than the actual meet.

Will McDermott (215 pounds) opened the championship clash with a narrow 6-4 win over Mount Carmel's Matt Piotrowicz for a 3-0 Providence lead, but when heavyweight Gary Young stuck the Celtics' Tom Lenehan in a quick 1:36, Mount Carmel was in front 6-3 and seemed to have the momentum.

But the complexion of the meet changed radically when freshman Matt Kucala reversed and then pinned Caravan junior Frank McNaughton, picking up the win by fall at 3:32 and putting Providence back in the lead, 9-6.

"That (pin) changed the momentum of the whole match," said Celtics coach Keith Healy. "That was phenomenal. I told Matt, 'Don't force the pin. If it's there, go with it.' "

It was and he did.

Sparked by the pin, Providence reeled off four straight wins, including a major decision at 119 pounds, to increase its advantage to 19-6.

Mount Carmel came back on a pin by Anthony Opiola at 135 pounds, but the Celtics claimed back-to-back matches at 140 and 145 pounds for a decisive 28-12 lead.

When Jason Erwinski eeked out a slim 4-2 win for the Caravan at 152 pounds, Mount Carmel was within 28-15. But Justin Ruggio won a dramatic 3-2 decision over 160-pound opponent Andrew Curran, giving Providence a 31-15 edge and putting the state championship in the bag.

Brandon Curran (171) and Jason Nape (189) picked up wins by forfeit to close the gap.

For Providence, which lost to Mount Carmel 35-19 in the last dual meet of the regular season, the win was the culmination of a season-long dream.

"Before the meet, I told the

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Warriors defeated by Mount Carmel

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

PREP WRESTLING

In like a lion, out like a lamb.

After roaring into the state quarterfinals on the strength of a pair of impressive sectional wins, Granite City left East Peoria on Saturday with its tail between its legs.

Chicago Mount Carmel jumped to a 22-5 lead after six matches, claiming three weight classes the Warriors were expecting to win, and routed Granite City 48-15. Forty percent of the Warriors points came on a forfeit in the next-to-the-last match.

"It kills you when the people who have to come through for you don't come through," said GCHS coach Mike Garland. "(Jonas) Janek loses a match he should have won, (Richie) Carney gets pinned by a JV wrestler, (George) Kirgan gets beat by a kid he pinned last year, (Kevin) Venne doesn't pin a JV wrestler, and (Bobby) Grammer has their heavyweight on his back and then got pinned himself.

"I'm proud of the kids for getting this far, but when you get here and wrestle like this, you can't be happy."

For Garland, the futility continues. The 11-year Granite City coach is 0-5 in trips to the state tournament. Last season, the Warriors lost a heart-wrenching 23-22 decision to Aurora Waubonsie Valley in a tournament Garland felt was their's to win.

But this year, it wasn't even a contest.

The tournament started at the 140-pound weight class, and Mount Carmel's Caravan seized control early.

Brady Ruel won a 10-2 major decision against Ryan Worthen, putting the Warriors in a quick 4-0 hole. And with undefeated Class AA 145-pound state champion Jason Erwinski next up, Garland bumped up his next two wrestlers, Brooks Narvaez and Janek, one weight class.

Erwinski (37-0) dominated seldom-used sophomore Kevin Buckingham at 145 pounds, building a 12-1 lead before pinning the Granite grappler at the 3:01 mark of period two.

Narvaez scored a technical fall win over Matt Ryan, claiming the 17-2 decision at 3:18 of the second period. The time was a new state record for the 152-pound weight class. The old record for quickest technical fall win was 4:34, set by Mount Carmel's T.J. Williams in a win over Granite City's Jason Wilson in the 1996 quarterfinals.

With the win by Narvaez, the Warriors pulled within 10-5. But the Caravan rang up three wins in succession and put the contest effectively out of reach.

Brothers Andrew and Brandon Curran upset Janek and Kirgan, respectively, at 160 and 171 pounds. Janek, holding a 5-4 lead, was penalized for stalling with less than 20 second remaining in the bout, enabling Andrew Curran to tie the match and, eventually, to win on a take-down at 7:15 of overtime. Kirgan fell behind his opponent 5-2 after two periods but fought back only to surrender three points in 17 seconds, losing an 8-6 decision.

Jason Nape followed with a pin of Craig Mooshegian at 1:24 in the 189-pound bout, moving Mount Carmel into a 22-5 lead.

Venne won a 10-2 major decision over Matt Piotrowicz to pull Granite City within 22-9, but Grammer (215), Carney (103), Chad Wilson (112), Paul Johnson (119) and Ben Lofink (125) lost successive matches and the Mount Carmel lead was 44-9.

John Kelly picked up a win by forfeit at 130 pounds, but Matt Bailey won a 12-3 major decision over Dennis Davis at 135 pounds, and the Caravan had the 48-15 victory.

"I thought Brooks probably wrestled better than anyone," said Garland. "He wrestled pretty tough. On the positive side, we bring nearly everyone back next year from a very young team. But until these kids commit themselves to wrestling in the spring and summer, nothing good is going to come out of this. This was the attitude of a lot of Granite kids before I took over — go to state, get beat, come home and it's OK. We've been able to change that attitude in the individual state tournament but unfortunately we've still got to fight that attitude at the dual team tournament. If the kids will hit the weights and wrestle during the spring and summer, we'll come up here and do well. But, until that happens, this is the way it is going to be."

It was a frustrating end to a frustrating season for the Granite City coach, who confessed to never before experiencing the traumatic ups and

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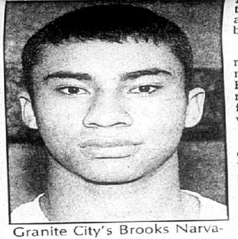

Granite City's Brooks Narvaez won with a record-setting technical fall.

Tigers' Harris named second team all-state

Lincoln soph Miles also honored by Associated Press

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

BOYS BASKETBALL

Northern Illinois' "Fab Five" dominated the Associated Press Class AA Boys All-State Basketball Team released Sunday, but a pair of Metro East players also received recognition.

Edwardsville's Jon Harris was a second-team selection and East St. Louis Lincoln's Darius Miles secured a spot on the third team.

Harris, a 6-foot-7 senior who is headed to Marquette University, averaged 21.9 points and 14.5 rebounds a game for the 24-1 Tigers, who are the No. 1 seed in this week's Collinsville Sectional Complex. He was at his best in the Southwestern Conference, where he took top honors in scoring (22.4 points per game), rebounding (13.9) and out-distanced his nearest challengers — scorer Jake Harmon of Alton and rebounder Patrick Hearn of Alton — by a per-game average of six points and 6½ rebounds.

Miles, a 6-9 sophomore, averaged 13.4 points and 10 rebounds an outing for the Tigers, but made his mark on the area with his shot-blocking ability. Miles swatted away 166 field goal attempts on the year, for an average of 7.9 blocks per game. Next best in Metro East was Waterloo Gibault's 6-10 Chris Braun, who batted away 2.5 shots each contest.

"Darius has basically been a defensive player for us, excelling at shot blocking and rebounding," Tigers coach Bennie Lewis said. "Defensively, he is further ahead than LaPhonso Ellis was at the same point in his career."

Other southern Illinois players on the AP team were Kent Williams (6-2 junior) of Mount Vernon, who made the second team; and Ty Moss of Centralia, who was named an honorable mention selection.

Corey Maggette (6-8 senior) of fourth-ranked Oak Park Fenwick; Quentin Richardson (6-6 senior) of top-ranked Chicago Whitney Young; Frank Williams (6-4 senior) of second-ranked Peoria Manual; Joey Range (6-5 senior) of third-ranked Galesburg; and Michael Wright (6-8 senior) of 10th-ranked Chicago Farragut were the choices for first-team honors.

Two other Chicago standouts, Whitney Young's Dennis Gates (6-4 senior) and Simeon's Bobby Simmons (6-6 senior) were named to the third team, while Young's versatile Cordell Henry, King's sensational sophomore Imari Sawyer and teammate Leon Smith were honorable mention choices.

The talent in this year's Chicago Public League is considered to be the strongest ever, with more talent, more size and more versatility than in any previous season. The "Fab Five" are each multi-dimensional players who can score, rebound and handle the ball, and who figure to make a profound and immediate impact in NCAA Division I basketball next year. Henry and Gates are also potential stars in Division I.

Like Whitney Young, Galesburg placed two players on the all-state team. In addition to first-teamer Range, Roderick Thompson (6-6 senior) was tabbed a second-team member.

Brian Cook (6-10) of Lincoln, son of former All-American Norm Cook, and Moline's Traves Wilson (6-2 senior) were the other second team selections. Lucus Johnson (6-8 senior) of Des Plaines Maine West and Rockford Boylan's 6-7 senior Damir Krupalija filled out the third team.

Twelve of the 15 players are seniors.

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Cardinals Team of the Week

Hornets win Metro East CYO crown,

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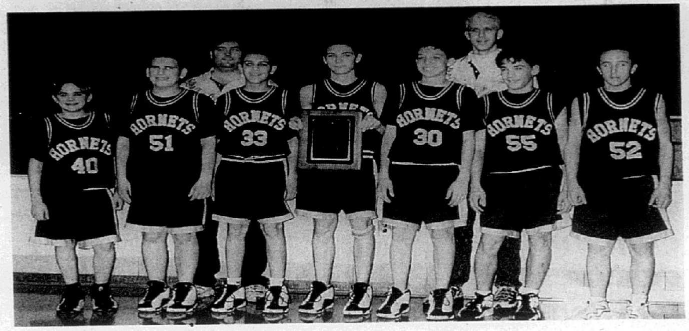
The Hornets' final record for 1997-98 was 22-2.

The team completed an impressive four-year run, posting 74 victories and just eight losses. The Hornets were undefeated at home each season.

Members of the Ss. Peter & Paul eighth-grade basketball team are Craig Cason, Jonathon Huelskoetter, Nick Allan, Troy Lindbeck, Donny DesPain, Matt Noeth and Zach Pashea. The coaches are Ted Lindbeck and Ed Allan.



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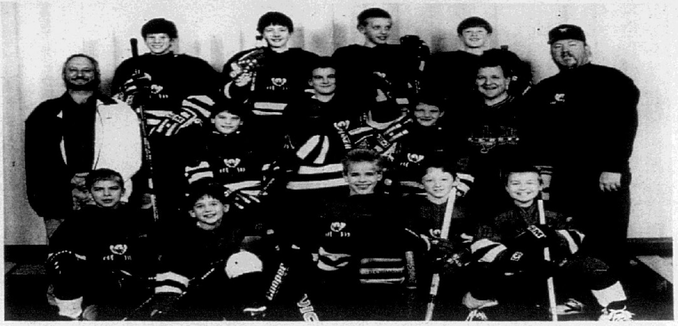

Members of the Cahokia Squirt House hockey team are (from left to right): In front — John Davis, Mark Tribout, Mark Bradley, Andrew Reich, Daniel Keeling; Middle row — head coach Mark Reich, Matt Raetz, Zach Hern, P.J. Kinder, assistant coach Tom Davis; team manager Mike Jones; In back — Billy Shocklady, Jeff Jones, Ben Hodgeson and Steve Lee; Absent from photo are Anthony Dedmon, Josh Guedesse, A.J. Mitan and assistant coach Ken Tribout.

Cahokia Squirts team honored in program

The Cahokia Sqirts House hockey team is the latest local hockey team to be recognized in the Suburban Journals partnership with the St. Louis Blues.

The program honors local youth hockey teams in each of the *Journals* and also recognizes outstanding teams from throughout the St. Louis area at Kiel Center when the St. Louis Blues are playing at home. Each team will have its picture printed in the Journal and will receive tickets to an upcoming Blues game.

The Cahokia Squirt House team is coached by Mark Reich with assistance from Ken Tribout and Tom Davis. Mike Jones is the team manager. Players on the team are John Davis, Mark Tribout, Mark Bradley, Andrew Reich, Daniel Keeling, Matt Raetz, Zach Hearn, P.J. Kinder, Billy Shocklady, Jeff Jones, Ben Hodgeson, Steve Lee, Anthony Dedmon, Josh Guedesse and A.J. Mitan.

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IHSA recognized Warriors, but picked a poor venue

Pat Heston

Some kudos and complaints for the Illinois High School Association regarding Saturday's Dual Team Wrestling State Tournament at the EastSide Centre in East Peoria.

Kudos for including in its tournament program a full-page special on the Granite City High School wrestling program's 1,000th all-time dual meet win.

IHSA historian and chief statistician Scott Johnson knew well the significance of what Granite City accomplished on Tuesday, Feb. 10, and is to be applauded for his decision to give the story such a prominent position in the program.

It would have been unthinkable not to mention the attainment of such an unprecedented milestone in high school wrestling history, but in this age of publishing fewer such things in state tournament programs and of bending over backwards not to give one school or one tournament team more hype than another, there was a very real possibility that the story would not be told.

Enter Scott Johnson and his deep, abiding respect for high school sports history. Including the feature on Granite City was a good decision on the part of the IHSA.

Its decision to hold the dual team finals at the EastSide Centre was not.

I was not privy to the decision-making process that settled on the East Peoria site, but it was the wrong decision.

It was as if the IHSA picked the most depressed area of metro Peoria, erected a cheap steel shed, lined it with sorely limited and uncomfortable aluminum bleachers, threw four mats on the floor and said, "Let's wrestle."

Let's not.

At least, let's not wrestle again at the EastSide Centre.

"It's like wrestling in a garage," said Granite City wrestling coach Mike Garland. "It's like holding the state tournament in the Granite City High School gym annex. I don't like it at all. For such a big event as the state tournament, I don't think much of the venue."

Garland was being too kind.

It's the equivalent of holding the boys state basketball tournament in the Venice High School Gym.

Personally, I like the Red Devils' home court. It's got character, atmosphere, history. It's a great place to see a basketball game. But, it's a lousy place to hold a state tournament.

But after Saturday, I think that might be enough to qualify it as a future venue for the boys state roundball finals.

Put the IHSA in charge of the St. Louis Cardinals and, before long, they would be playing their home games at Prather School.

No kudos on the East Peoria venue; just complaints.

Another matter on which the IHSA must get their collective heads out of the sand is the matter of private schools and state tournaments.

There's not much to be done with private schools at the large school tournament level, unless yet another class division is created in sports with only two. But that would be a tragic mistake.

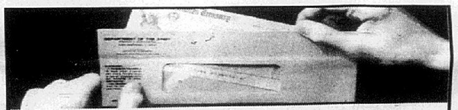
The problem with private schools in state tournament play in any sportis two-fold. First, they can effectively recruit state-wide if they want. And, second, in their recruiting, they skim the cream off the top of the athletic pool in many a neighboring community, seriously depleting that pool and leaving public schools with little more than leftovers.

I'm not advocating a return to the archaic custom of keeping private schools separate from the IHSA, relegating them to their own tournaments. That would be absurd. But, it's time to call a spade a spade and to arbitrarily toss all private schools into the largest class pool available in a particular sport.

The reason, to me, is obvious. Regardless of the actual number of students enrolled in a private school, its recruiting base encompasses a greater population than is available to the largest public schools. Unless you call private schools what they really are — essentially large schools — and toss them in with the big boys, you are creating a desperately unfair situation for the public schools. Especially small public schools.

In fact, there is no fair way to solve what is a very real and complicated problem. My suggestion is admittedly not fair but it is, I think, the best of all the available unfair ways. The current system is honestly the most unfair of all.

But, I'm not sure I want to make any concrete suggestion to the IHSA. They might respond by agreeing, then moving the state basketball tournaments to Venice.



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•Warriors

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downs the team had known this season.

"I've never been through a season like this," he said. "I'm not going to change my ways, though. They're going to do it my way or they're not going to be a part of this program. These kids fought through the adversity and came through it, but in the end it might have been too much for us to handle. I don't know. Maybe it all came to a head today and mentally we just couldn't handle it."

The Warriors ended their historic season with a record of 24-1. A season that had seen them win their national record 1,000th all-time dual meet.

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•Wrestling

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guys that we had set a goal at the beginning of the season," said Healy. "Now here's the opportunity to prove we're state champions. If you want it, I told them, go out and get it done."

Getting it done against Mount Carmel just made it doubly satisfying.

The Caravan had a surprisingly easy time with Moline in the afternoon semifinals, grabbing a quick 7-0 lead, building it to 29-14, and forfeiting its final two matches for the 29-26 decision.

In the other semifinal bout, Rockford East fought back from a 7-0 deficit to within 10-8 before Providence bullied its way to wins in six of the next seven matches to win going away, 38-17.

In quarterfinal action Saturday morning, Providence pommeled previously unbeaten Maine West 41-22.

•Voellinger —

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academic information to hockey coaches.

"We don't run it, but we like to cooperate," said New Trier athletic director Bob Naughton. "After all, they are our students, and we want what's best for them."

That "best for them" attitude should apply throughout the state.

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History reconstructed

Model of Fort DuBois on display at Historical Museum

By Dennis Grubaugh
Telegraph staff writer

A class project made in 1976 has stood the test of time, much like the story it is based on — the Lewis and Clark Expedition that began in 1804.

A model of Fort DuBois, the 1803-04 winter camp site of the expedition, is on display at the Madison County Historical Museum, 715 N. Main St., now through May 31.

The 2-foot square model was a class project done by then-eighth-grader Kevin Crotty for teacher Merrill Rosenthal at East Alton Junior High School.

With the approaching 195th anniversary of the encampment, Rosenthal, of Wood River, has loaned the project to the museum as part of an exhibit that includes articles by the late area historian and educator, Donald Fremont Lewis of Bethalto.

The classroom project went on to win a state blue ribbon, said Rosenthal, who is now retired.

And the Lewis and Clark Expedition went on to become one of America's most storied pioneer adventures.

William Clark and Meriwether Lewis were handed the task of blazing a trail through the uncharted northwest territory acquired by the United States as part of the Louisiana Purchase.

Expedition members launched their trek on the east bank of the Mississippi River, across from the mouth of the Missouri River, near what is now Hartford. Their shelter was Camp DuBois, a place where supplies such as guns, ammunition, food, medicines and boat equipment were kept.

Capt. Clark set up the training camp on Dec. 12, 1803. For five months, men of the expedition "worked to improve the boats, received military discipline, foraged for daily food and otherwise became accustomed to pioneer life," according to information from the Edwardsville-based Lewis and Clark Society of America.

When the expedition got under way on May 14, 1804, a company of roughly 45 men left the mouth of the Wood River, crossed the Mississippi, entered the Missouri River and proceeded upstream to St. Charles, Mo., where Capt. Lewis joined the effort.

The ensuing two-year trip to the Pacific Ocean was typical of the romance of later westward expansion.

A reconstructed Camp DuBois is part of a multi-million-dollar development plan envisioned by the society near the current Lewis and Clark Monument, just off Illinois 3 at the Cahokia Diversion Canal.

There is no admission charge. For more information, call 656-7562.

Charity donation

The Midwestern Railroaders recently held a World Series of Poker Chairty Card Tournament. The game, sponsored by the Callis Law Firm, raised $1,000, which was donated to the Four Square Church food pantry in Granite City. Pictured are, from left: Stan Wierciszewski, chairman; Jim Bowlin, co-chairman; Mac Warfield, Democratic Party chairman; Rev. Edward Linhart; Rich Moore, co-chairman; Lance Callis; and Jack Payer, first tourney champion. Not pictured is Ken Danzinger, current tourney champion.

Everyone hops on Internet bandwagon

By Mark Hodapp
Staff writer

The surf is up on Internet, and it seems like everybody is joining the latest craze.

James Van Horn of Belleville is certainly riding the cyber wave.

About a year ago, this surfer dude opened the Cyber Safari Internet Cafe in Fairview Heights.

As Van Horn sees it, the Internet will continue to dictate how people live in the future.

"We already have kids in school that are five years old surfing the net," Van Horn said. "That's amazing."

Van Horn said he has watched kids do some things on the Internet that would even "put rings around a college professor."

"The Internet is going to change lives not just in America, but worldwide," he said.

An estimated 24 million people are online in the United States, according to the Consumer Electronics Manufacturers Association in Arlington, Va.

Van Horn said the Internet can be used for unlimited applications.

"There is no end where the Internet is going to take us," he said.

For instance, Booz-Allen & Hamilton, a New York-based consulting firm, estimates that by the year 2000, 16.2 million households or 15.7 percent of the U.S. population will be using the Internet to conduct business banking transactions at home on their personal computers.

At Cyber Safari, Van Horn said people explore more than 1 million worldwide web sites and research virtually any topic. They also can chat with people from all over the world. And if you are hungry, you can indulge in expresso-based drinks and sandwiches.

"I got into computers five years ago by accident," Van Horn said. "I don't consider myself a computer guru, but a trend setter."

There are several other local Internet providers that have started recently with great success.

Intertek Solutions Inc. in O'Fallon had two customers and five modems when it opened in December 1996.

"We now have about 80 modems and about 700 customers," Intertek Vice President Debra Drown said.

Drown said her business continues to grow at a slow, steady pace.

Like Van Horn, Drown said she believes the Internet's future is unlimited. "The Internet is explosive," she said.

Drown said she has customers of all ages, including children and senior citizens.

"I have had kids bring in their parents into the store, begging them they to sign up for the Internet," she said.

Holly Norton said she believes most — if not all houses — will have a computer in their home, too.

"It will be as common as microwave oven," said Norton.

Norton, along with her brother, Harry, owns NORCOM 2000, an Internet provider based in Belleville.

Group seeking IFR pilots

Wings Over Mid-America, an organization of volunteer pilots who donate their time and airplanes to transport people with special medical or humanitarian needs, is seeking IFR-rated pilots based in Illinois. The organization, headquartered in Kansas City, currently has 124 volunteer pilots based in 14 Midwestern states.

In the 30 months since its founding, Wings pilots have completed more than 300 missions. Pilots donate their time, aircraft and operating expenses when they accept an assignment.

Pilots interested in volunteering or learning more about the organization should write to Wings Over Mid-America, 1156 W. 103rd St., Box 229, Kansas City, MO 64141.

Computers continue to infiltrate American homes

By Mark Hodapp
Staff writer

How quickly things change.

In 1983, computers were in just 7 percent of U.S. households.

Today, 42 percent of homes in the United States have at least one computer, said Todd Thibodeaux, *CEMA's vice president and senior economist.*

Thibodeaux estimated that there will also be at least 46 million computers in use in the United States this year alone, which would be over 5.5 million households from the start of 1997.

Thibodeaux said he expects the sales trend will continue, noting half of the computers sold in 1997 were completed by first-time buyers.

He said the increase in sales can also be attributed to the invention of the $1,000 personal computer and the Internet.

According to CEMA:

- 51 percent of all computers sales in 1997 were made to people 26 to 45 years of age.
- About 22 percent of the computers were sold to people who were aged 46 or older.

"Seven percent of the sales were to people over 56," Thibodeaux said.

The number of people surfing the Internet continues to rise, too.

An estimated 24 million people are online in the U.S., Thibodeaux said.

"That's up from 18 million at the start of last year," he said.

Mike Kappel, owner of Kappel's Computer Store in Belleville, *said many people are* also upgrading their computers to have faster modems and more memory because of the Internet. Kappel said most people are now seeking at least a 56.6 bits per second modems.

"And it's getting to the point where people are seeking to have 32 gigabytes in memory as a minimum, too," he said.

Kappel said he believes consumers are getting the most bang from their buck when they buy computers today, too.

For example, an IBM personal computer in 1986 cost $6,000, Thibodeaux said.

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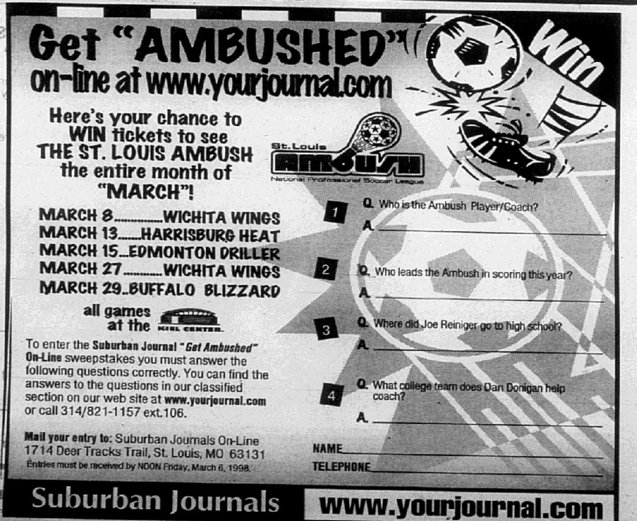

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GENERATION JESUS YOUTH GROUP, led by youth minister, 6 to 8 p.m. every Sunday at Nameoki United Methodist Church, 1900 Pontoon Road.

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH, 2020 Johnson Road, holds Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. and morning worship at 10:45 a.m. every Sunday. Everyone is welcome.

ST. PETER UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, 2101 Cleveland Blvd., holds Sunday School at 9 a.m. and has preschool available. Morning worship services at 10:15 a.m. Nursery available. Everyone welcome.

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FULL GOSPEL FELLOWSHIP, 3950 Horseshoe Lake Road, has Sunday service and Children's Church at 10:30 a.m., Monday Night Miracle Service at 7 p.m., Wednesday night service at 7 p.m., and Wednesday night youth service at 7 p.m. Full Gospel Fellowship invites all to attend and enjoy power-packed services.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF GRANITE CITY Lenten Bible study at 6:45 p.m. Wednesdays March 4 through April 1 at 2160 Delmar Ave. For more information, call 452-1100.

HOLY FAMILY holds Lenton Fish Fries from 4 to 7 p.m. every Friday now through April 10 at 2606 Washington Ave. Fish Fries will be held in the community center cafeteria. Plates and sandwiches served. Carryouts available.

Community

MADISON COMMUNITY ACTION GROUP, meets at 7 p.m. the fifth Monday of the month. For more information call Dan at 452-2338 or Diane at 876-1360.

MITCHELL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 2 regular monthly board meeting is 7 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month, at 5123 Maryville Road, 931-6521.

MADISON LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES holds monthly meetings at 6 p.m. the third Thursday of every month at the Madison City Hall, 615 Madison Ave.

Dance

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TOPS IL 2417, 6 p.m. every Tuesday, Calvary Lighthouse Church of God, 1205 W. Pontoon. Weigh-in at 5:30 p.m. Anyone age 7 or above with a weight problem is welcome. For more information call Lisa at 931-3602 or Linda at 632-9267.

ST. ELIZABETH MEDICAL CENTER'S BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SYSTEM is presenting a talk entitled, "Keeping Their Dinner Warm: Parent-Child Relationships," at 7:30 p.m. March 10. The speaker will be Roy Marks, MA, LCPC, of the Behavioral Health System, and will be held in the Wiesman Room at SEMC. The talk is free and open to the public. For more information or to register, call 798-3888.

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Organizations

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS CHAPTER 1340, meets at Granite City Township Hall second Wednesday of each month. Doors open at 5 p.m., refreshments served at 6 p.m. All seniors 50 and over are welcome. For information call 877-3020.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP of Central Christian Church meets at 8:30 a.m. the second Wednesday of each month for breakfast and fellowship. For more information and/or location of meetings call 931-2098.

GRANITE CITY BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN, meeting at Jerry's Cafeteria. Dinner at 6:30 p.m., third Wednesday of each month, followed by a program at 7:15. Open to the public. For more information call 452-5391 or 451-6914.

NOON NETWORKING FOR WOMEN, third Wednesday of each month, noon to 1 p.m., Ramada Inn in Fairview Heights. Cost is $10 (no annual dues). Please feel free to bring your business cards and brochures. Bring a friend a get $4 off your next lunch at Noon Networking.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP of Central Christian Church meets at 1 p.m. the first Thursday of each month. For more information, call Helen Stumpe at 931-2098.

SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS, a hereditary group for descendants over age 12 of Confederate veterans, meets every third Thursday of every month at Ravanelli's Restaurant in Granite City. Call 877-3065 for more information.

NAVY MOTHERS CLUBS OF AMERICA, meet at 7:30 p.m., second Thursday of each month, at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post in Granite City. Mothers, fathers, daughters, wives or sisters of former and present Navy, Marines, Coast Guard or Sea Bees are encouraged to join. For further information, call 931-2292 or 876-2209.

THE SARAH AND DORCAS CIRCLES OF CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP meet at 9:30 a.m. the third Thursday of each month. For more information and/or meeting location, call Helen Stumpe at 931-2098.

THE RUTH CIRCLE OF CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP meets at 7 p.m. the third Thursday of each month. For more information and/or meeting location, call Helen Stumpe at 931-2098.

LYDIA CIRCLE of Nameoki United Methodist Church meets at 1 p.m. the third Thursday of each month. For more information phone, 877-1936.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED will meet at 10 a.m. the fourth Thursday of each month, except July, at the Nameoki Methodist Church, 1900 Pontoon Road.

MODERN WOODMEN OF AMERICA Life Insurance Society meets the last Thursday of each month at 5 p.m. at Ravanelli's Restaurant.

THE JOLLY QUILTERS, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., every Thursday at the Social Center, 906 Thorngate Drive in Mitchell.

GRANITE CITY COMMUNITY BAND rehearsals, 7:30 to 9 p.m. every Thursday, St. John United Church of Christ, 2901 Nameoki Road, Granite City, 931-0443.

GREATER BENEFICIAL UNION OF PITTSBURGH, District 491, Granite City Council, meets at 8 p.m., first Friday of each month, at Third Baptist Church, 26th Street and Grand Avenue in Granite City. James P. Reagan, president, can be reached at 288-7396; and Mary Solomon, secretary, can be reached at 451-9201.

GRANITE CHAPTER 650 ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR meets the second Friday of each month, 7:30 p.m., at the Masonic Temple, 20th Street and Cleveland Boulevard in Granite City.

DOWNTOWN NEIGHBORHOOD RESTORATION SOCIETY, 8 p.m., second Friday of each month, Granite City, 876-7715.

GRANITE CHAPTER 650 ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR meets the fourth Friday of each month, 7:30 p.m., at the Masonic Temple, 20th Street and Cleveland Boulevard in Granite City.

METRO EAST LANDLORD'S ASSOCIATION meets the first Monday of each month at the Eagles Lodge in Collinsville.

CAMERA EXPLORERS CLUB, Hartford Public Library, 143 W. Hawthorne St., 7 p.m., third Monday of each month. Call Beverly Zager, 254-9394.

ELKETTES, Granite City Lodge 1063, Maryville Road, 931-3557, 7 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month except July and August.

MADISON COUNTY LEGAL SECRETARIES ASSOCIATION, meets the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Open to everyone in legal field: *attorneys, legal secretaries, support* staff, court reporters and court personnel. For more information call 465-4400.

MADISON COUNTY HOMEMAKERS EXTENSION ASSOCIATION, Granite City unit, noon, first Tuesday of each month, Anchorage Recreational Center. For more information call 876-7026 or 931-3735.

TRIO UNIT, MADISON COUNTY HOMEMAKERS EXTENSION ASSOCIATION, noon, first Tuesday of each month, Hope Lutheran Church, 3715 Wabash Ave., Granite City.

TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL meets the first, third and fifth Tuesday of the month from 7 to 9 p.m. at Shoney's, Highway 157 (#4 Commerce Drive), Collinsville. Come join us for better communication and leadership skills. For more information call 692-6026 or 344-2898.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES (NARFE) Chapter 1067's meetings for the months of February and March have been changed. The group will meet the second Thursday of these months, at 11:30 a.m., at Charlie's Restaurant in Granite City. For more information call 876-8450, or 452-3266.

BAND PARENTS ASSOCIATION OF GRANITE CITY HIGH SCHOOL, 3101 Madison Ave., 451-5808, 7 p.m., second Tuesday of each month.

BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS, Granite City Lodge 1063, Maryville Road, Granite City, 931-3557, 8 p.m., second Tuesday of each month.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, 3RD DEGREE, 4225 Old Alton Road, 7:30 p.m., the second Tuesday of each month, 877-4250.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, 4TH DEGREE, 4225 Old Alton Road, 7:30 p.m., third Tuesday of each month, 877-4250.

BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS, Granite City Lodge 1063, Maryville Road, Granite City, 931-3557, 8 p.m., fourth Tuesday of each month.

JOB'S DAUGHTERS BETHEL #43 meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Masonic Temple, 20th Street and Cleveland Boulevard.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, 3RD DEGREE, 4225 Old Alton Road, 7:30 p.m., fourth Tuesday of each month, 877-4250.

GRANITE CITY KIWANIS meet at Shoney's at 7:30 a.m. every Tuesday.

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Britain's Official Tribute To Princess Diana Finally Released

Queen Elizabeth Approves Controversial Stamps Despite Earl Spencer's Objections

Collectors scramble to get the Official British Princess Diana postage stamps. *Actual Size: 149mm x 41mm*

London, England — The first official stamps bearing portraits of the late Princess Diana have just been released by the Royal Mail, the official postal authority of Great Britain. Originally scheduled for release shortly after her tragic death, these stamps were withheld when Diana's brother, Earl Spencer, objected to them.

Amid a storm of controversy, the Royal Mail then threatened to destroy the entire issue. The public outcry was so strong that the Earl was forced to withdraw his objections, and now fully endorses the just-released issue.

"Our phones have been ringing off the hook," said John Van Emden of the International Collectors Society, distributor of the stamps in the U.S. and worldwide clearinghouse for all Diana stamp releases. "Of all the stamps issued in memory of Princess Diana, these are undoubtedly the most desirable because they are Great Britain's official tribute to her impossibly tragic death."

The colorful stamps are designed using official photographs of the Princess — each taken by a different photographer — and are about twice the size of a regular U.S. stamp. Each portrait is framed by a border of purple, traditionally the symbol of royalty.

"Millions throughout the world mourned her death," added Van Emden. "When you realize that these stamps are a Limited Edition, you can see why they are irresistible to collectors and Diana fans alike."

The stamps, which are issued in strips of five, are legal tender in Great Britain, and are recognized by postal authorities around the world.

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The Troy/Maryville/Collinsville chapter of **BUSINESS NETWORK INT'L** (BNI) meets every Tuesday at 7 a.m. at Randy's Restaurant in Troy. For more information, please call Lisa at 667-8340.

BURT - BUBBLEMASTERS UNDERWATER RESCUE TEAM meets at 7 p.m. the third Wednesday of each month at 4964 Old Alton Road next to the Mitchell Fire Protection Department. Tours are available by appointment, 931-8317 or write to the above address.

MADISON COUNTY FAMILY ALLIANCE will meet from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at Milonski Room at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. For information, call 462-4883, extension 104.

NEW HOPE CHAPTER 432 ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR meets at 8 p.m. the first and third Fridays of each month at Masonic Temple, 1940 Cleveland Blvd. in Granite City.

TRIPLE LODGE 835 A.F. and A.M. meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Masonic Temple, 1940 Cleveland Blvd. in Granite City.

SCHOOL OF METAPHYSICS, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m., every Tuesday, 9459 Roslan Place, St. John, Mo. 63114. Classes in applied metaphysics. Call Melanie McManus at 429-0076.

Seniors

PONTOON BEACH SENIOR CITIZENS BINGO, every Wednesday, 11:30 a.m., 3910 Highway 111, Pontoon Beach.

CHOUTEAU TOWNSHIP SENIOR CITIZENS, meets the fourth Thursday of each month, 6 p.m, Potluck, Social Center, 906 Thorngate Drive, Mitchell.

ATTENTION MEDICARE BENEFICIARIES — Come and hear how Advantra can give you complete healthcare coverage. You are invited to hear a presentation every Tuesday and Thursday at 10 a.m. at the Pontoon Beach Senior Center, 3910 Highway 111, Pontoon Beach.

EAGLE PARK ACRE SENIORS OF MADISON meet every Thursday from 10 a.m. to noon at 100 Hill St. (rear), Eagle Park Acres, Madison.

FREE SENIOR CITIZEN EXERCISE CLASS, 9 a.m., every Thursday, Anchorage Recreation Center, 2909 Edwards.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON PINOCHLE CLUB for seniors 55 and over meets at 12:30 p.m. every Friday at the Harold Brown Building, Franklin Avenue and Pontoon Road. Call 877-0350 for more information.

***PONTOON BEACH SENIOR CITIZENS** pot luck dinner the last Saturday of each month, 5 p.m., 3910 Highway 111, Pontoon Beach.*

PONTOON BEACH SENIOR CITIZENS, meeting, third Tuesday of each month, 7 p.m., 3910 Highway 111, Pontoon Beach.

Support Groups

STROKE SUPPORT GROUP, for patients, their families and caregivers, 6:30 p.m., second Wednesday of each month, in Pascal Hall, St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Refreshments are served. Call 798-3018 for more information.

PULMONARY SUPPORT GROUP, for persons with diagnosed lung condition, 11 a.m. to noon every Wednesday in 4-Doctors Solarium, St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 798-3019.

AL-ANON, 9:30 a.m. every Monday, 2116 Edison (side door) in Granite City. Call 463-2429.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 11 a.m. and 8 p.m. every Wednesday, 2116 Club, 2116 Edison, Granite City, (800) 307-6600.

AL-ANON ADULT CHILDREN meets at 7 p.m. every Wednesday at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 2100 Madison Ave., in the Kettler Center Conference Room A. Call 463-2429 for more information.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 8 p.m. every Wednesday, St. Elizabeth School's Noah's Ark Day Care, Pontoon Road, Granite City. The meetings are closed except for the last Wednesday of the month.

PARENTS ANONYMOUS GROUP, meets 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., first and third Thursday of each month. For information on where meeting will be held, call Elaine Searcy at 462-2714 or Lyle Cubberly at 876-2382.

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SELF-HELP GROUP meets from 7 to 9 p.m., second Thursday of each month, in Pascal Hall at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 2100 Madison Ave. in Granite City. Call 797-2780 or 451-0728 for more information.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m., third Thursday of each month, in the President's Room, inside Bonaventure's Cafeteria, on the ground floor of St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 2100 Madison Ave. The group focuses on addressing the questions and concerns of care-givers and family members of people with Alzheimer's. All meetings are open to community members. Call 798-3018 for more information.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 8 p.m., every Thursday, 2116 Club, 2116 Edison, Granite City, (800) 307-6600.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 8 p.m., every Thursday, Presbyterian Church, Mitchell, (800) 307-6600.

AL-ANON, 7 p.m. every Thursday, St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 2100 Madison Ave., in the Kettler Center Day Care room C. Call 463-2429.

ALATEEN and PREALATEEN PROGRAM for 12 to 17 age group, and prealateen to 11 year age group, meets at 7 p.m. every Thursday at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 2100 Madison Ave. in the Kettler Center conference room A. Call 463-2429.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS, Seeking recovery, 8 p.m. every Thursday, 2016 Delmar Ave., 24-hour hot-line 398-9409.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS DIVORCED AND SEPARATED CATHOLICS meets at 7:30 p.m. the second Friday of each month (September through May) at St. Boniface School, 128 N. Buchanan, Edwardsville. Call 465-1463.

HEREDITARY ATAXIA (a disorder of nerve cells in the spinal cord and cerebellum) **SUPPORT GROUP** meets the second and fourth Friday of each month. Call Curt Williams, 877-5172, for information.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, noon and 8 p.m., every Friday, 2116 Club, 2116 Edison, Granite City, (800) 307-6600.

STEMSS (Support Together for Emotional and Mental Serenity and Sobriety), A support group for people with a mental illness and an alcohol or substance abuse problem, meets every Friday from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. at Pascal Hall, St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Call 798-3604 for more information.

DEPRESSIVE MANIC DEPRESSIVE ASSOCIATION OF MADISON COUNTY will meet from 1 to 3 p.m., every Friday, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City, in the Milonski Room located in the basement. For more information call the DMDA office at (314) 776-3969.

RIVERS OF WATER WORSHIP CENTER SUPPORT GROUP, meets the first and third Saturday of each month, at 1307 Madison Avenue, Madison, 9:30 to 11 a.m., to comfort and restore. Group membership is open to all who are "broken" — at no cost. Worship service will follow each third Saturday at 11:30 a.m. For more information, call 341-3643 or 656-7831.

OBSESSIVE/COMPULSIVE DISORDER SUPPORT GROUP, meets the third Saturday of each month, at Von Gontard Conference Center at St. John's Mercy Medical Center, 615 South New Ballas Road, 10 a.m. Meeting is free and open to OCD patients, family and friends. For information call (314) 842-7228.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 8 p.m. every Saturday, 2116 Club, 2116 Edison, Granite City, (800) 307-6600.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS, Acceptance, 8 p.m. every Saturday, 2016 Delmar Ave., 24-hour hot-line 398-9409.

***ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS**, 1:30 p.m. and 8 p.m., every Sunday, 2116 Club, 2116 Edison, Granite City, (800) 307-6600.*

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS, Live the Steps, 8 p.m. every Sunday, 2016 Delmar Ave., 24-hour hot-line 398-9409.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 8 p.m. every Sunday, St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Pascal Hall, main floor, Granite City, (800) 307-6600.

PROSTATE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP, 3 to 4:30 p.m., third Sunday of each month, at Central Christian Church, 2020 Johnson Road, Granite City. The group, men only, will meet in the church's Terrace Room, enter through the Fellowship Hall door on the east side of the building. There is no charge. For more information phone Roger Zollars, any evening, at 656-5438.

MADISON COUNTY PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS meets the fourth Monday of each month in the Fellowship Hall at Nameoki United Methodist Church, 1900 Pontoon Road in Granite City. For more information, call 931-0157.

ARTHRITIS SUPPORT GROUP, 7 p.m., fourth Monday of each month, Alton Memorial Hospital cafeteria, Room B.

CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY RELAPSE PREVENTION group meets from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. every Monday at the Edwardsville Health Center, 1123 University Drive in Edwardsville. The group focuses on eliminating relapse-prone thinking, feeling and behavior patterns and helping group members grow in sobriety. For more information, call 798-3888.

NEGLECTED VICTIMS OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE, a support group for nonoffending parents of victims, meets from 6 to 7:30 p.m. every Monday at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville's Rape and Sexual Abuse Care Center. Call 692-2197 for details.

DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP, 1 to 3 p.m., first Tuesday of each month, President's Room, St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 798-3456.

ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL OF MADISON COUNTY, (AMI) meets the first Tuesday of each month from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Mental Health Clinic, 50 Industrial Drive, Granite City. For information call 798-3604.

CUPFUL/ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL will meet at Market Avenue Church of God, 1505 in East St. Louis every fourth Saturday of each month from 2 to 4 p.m. For more information, call (314) 868-8031.

BETTER BREATHERS, support group of those with chronic lung condition, second Tuesday of each month, 1 p.m., Pascal Hall, St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 798-3118.

MASTECTOMY SUPPORT GROUP, 7 to 9 p.m., Pascal Hall, main floor, St. Elizabeth Medical Center, second Tuesday of each month, 798-3510.

LUPUS ERYTHEMATOSUS SUPPORT GROUP, sub-chapter of Illinois Lupus Foundation, 7:30 p.m., third Tuesday of each month, Memorial Hospital auditorium, Belleville, 233-7750, extension 5860.

PARENTS OF MURDERED CHILDREN, St. Louis Chapter, 8 to 10 p.m., the third Tuesday of each month at the American Cancer Society Building, 4201 Lindell Blvd., St. Louis. For more information call 452-2149 or (314) 391-2230.

SPOUSE SUPPORT GROUP, sponsored by Nameoki United Methodist Church, meets the third Tuesday of each month. For meeting time and place, call the church at 877-1936.

SINGLES CONNECTION Meet at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 4 at Fast Eddie's Bon Air Tavern in Alton for food, low prices and good friends. RSVP to Doris, 887-4506. Meet at 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 6, at the K.C. Hall in Collinsville. Enjoy delicious fish and good company. Call Dolores, 344-6460. Dinner at 6 p.m. Saturday, March 7, for dinner at Moonlight Restaurant, 3400 Fosterburg Road in Alton. Reservations required, so RSVP to Theresa, 344-6460, by March 4. Game night again is 1 p.m. Sunday, March 8, at Imo's in Edwardsville. Bring cards and games. RSVP to Paul, 332-1731. Work out at 7 p.m. Monday, March 9 with bowling at the SIUE University Center. RSVP to Peggy, 254-0452. Walleyball 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 10, at Edwardsville YMCA. Walleyball is volleyball on a racquetball court with a softer ball. Cost is $3 for three hours of play. Call Paul, 332-1731 for more information.

OSTOMY SUPPORT GROUP, 2 to 4 p.m., fourth Tuesday of every month, Pascal Hall, main floor, St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 798-3167.

PEOPLE NEEDING PEOPLE BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP, 7 to 9 p.m., fourth Tuesday of each month Wiesman Room, first floor, St. Elizabeth Medical Center; call Hospice of Madison County, 798-3399.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS (women only), 8 p.m., every Tuesday, Presbyterian Church, Mitchell, (800) 307-6600.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 8 p.m., every Tuesday, St. John United Church, 2901 Nameoki Road, Granite City, 692-8078.

AL-ANON, 8 p.m., every Tuesday, St. John United Church, 2901 Nameoki Road, Granite City, 463-2429.

AL-ANON, 8 p.m., every Tuesday, Niedringhaus United Methodist Church cafeteria, 20th and Delmar, Granite City, 463-2429.

ALATEEN AND PREALATEEN PROGRAM for 12 to 17 age group, and prealateen for seven to 11 year age group, now meets at 7 p.m. every Thursday at St. Elizabeth's Medical Center, 2100 Madison (in the Ketteler Center C Dayroom). For more information call 463-2429.

THE CIRCLE OF HOPE, a 12-step healing program for anyone whose life is affected by HIV infection meets at 7 p.m. every Tuesday at the King's House on North 66th Street in Belleville. For more information, call 234-0291.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS, Path to Recovery, 8 p.m. every Tuesday, 2016 Delmar Ave., 24-hour hot-line 398-9409.

LEARNING TO LEARN support group for families with special needs children, for families and friends of any child with any disability. Meets 7 to 9 p.m. the first Tuesday of every month at Word of Life Tabernacle, 4870 Maryville Road in Granite City. Childcare is provided. Call Gina at 931-6453.

Other

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA annual trivia event is scheduled for 7 p.m. March 7 at St. Henry's Gym, 5301 W. Main St. in Belleville. The event will generate much needed funds for the Boy Scout Chaplain Summer Camp Program at Camp Joy. Registration begins at 6 p.m. and play starts at 7. Cost is $10 poer person with 5-8 people per table. Players may bring snacks, but no carryin beverages. Soda and coffee willl be available. There will be cash prizes, a 50/50 and a raffle. Make reservations to Mike Lawder, 235-7982 or 277-2400.

MADISON COMMUNITY ACTION GROUP, meets at 7 p.m. every Wednesday. For more information call Dan at 452-2336 or Diane at 876-1360.

MADISON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, meets 7 p.m., second Thursday of each month, at Immanuel United Church, 800 N. Main, Edwardsville.

EDWARDSVILLE KENNEL CLUB, 7:30 p.m., second Thursday of each month, Hayes Mallory Community Building, 216 Crane St., Edwardsville, open to public.

EAGLES AUXILIARY 1126 BINGO, 1 p.m. every Sunday at the Nameoki Bingo Center. Also included will be a color raffle, 50/50 drawing free games and other raffles.

GATEWAY SOUNDS CHORUS, 7:30 p.m. every Tuesday at the Collinsville Senior Citizen Center, 420 E. Main, Collinsville. For more information, call Joyce Greiner at 398-8853.

Prizes offered for winning college essays

Belleville Area College is offering extra incentives to its students who participate in the Illinois Community College Trustee Association's 1998 Paul Simon Essay Contest. The statewide contest offers community college students a chance to pen their praises of the community college system.

While the ICCTA is offering a $500 prize for the top essay, BAC will award a campus bookstore gift certificate to each of its own top three contestants. The prizes will be in the amounts of $100, $75 and $50. The contest is open to any currently enrolled part-time or full-time student in an Illinois community college. Only registered BAC students can enter the contest through BAC.

Entries must be typed, 500 words or less, and address the topic of "How My Community College Has Changed My Life."

BAC entries must be received by 4 p.m., Thursday, March 12, in the Belleville Campus Office of College Activities. An official entry form must accompany each essay. Essays will be returned upon request. Winners at the local level will be selected and forwarded to the ICCTA by April 1.

The state winner will be chosen by June 19. The ICCTA Public Relations Committee will select the winning essay based on writing style, grammar and punctuation, clarity of expression and relevancy of the topic.

At the state level, the winner will receive a $500 cash stipend for the fall 1998 semester, special recognition at the ICCTA's June 19 Award Banquet in Springfield, as well as travel and banquet expenses, and publication of the essay in the ICCTA Illinois Trustee newsletter.

For more information or for tickets, call the Office of College Activities at 235-2700, extension 205, or toll-free at (800) BAC-5131, extension 205.

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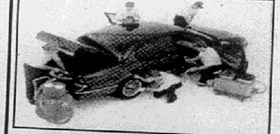

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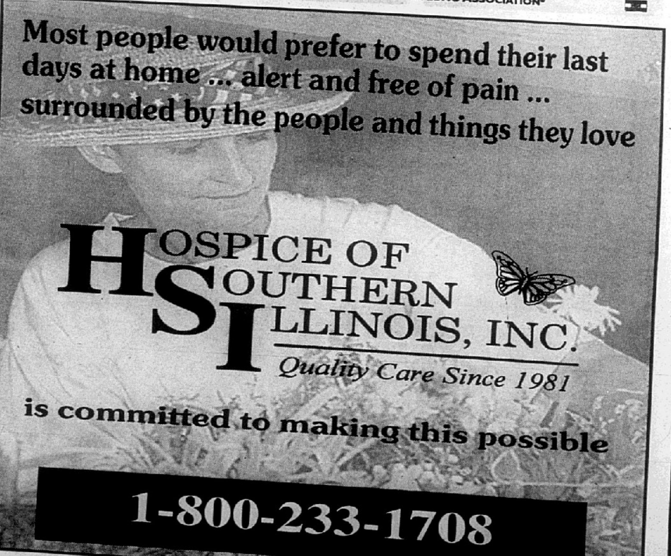

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Equinox to be observed at Mounds

Raptor Awareness Day, public lectures, the Spring Equinox sunrise observance and dance performances highlight March activities at Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site.

Live birds of prey will be featured at Raptor Awareness Day, starting at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Interpretive Center auditorium. The World Bird Sanctuary will feature and discuss several varieties of raptors, including hawks, eagles, falcons, owls and buzzards, and will conduct a "fly" show over the heads of the audience. This free performance is open to the public.

Dale Besse and Evelyne Voelker of the Illinois Cultural American Indian Committee will present free programs on Indian clothing and ornamentation at 1 and 3 p.m. Sunday in the Interpretive Center auditorium. They will discuss the preparation of leather clothing, different types of moccasins, dance outfit components and the types and meanings of various ornaments.

A free lecture, "Community Organization at Cahokia Mounds: Woodhenge 72," will be presented by Rob Watson of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee at 2 p.m. March 15 in the Interpretive Center auditorium. Watson will discuss the search for and theories surrounding another possible Woodhenge in the area of Mound 72 at Cahokia Mounds. Melvin Fowler of UWM has been leading the search for several years to locate evidence of another circle of posts similar to the existing Woodhenge sun calendar at Cahokia Mounds, and Fowler believes there is evidence to support the existence of a second Woodhenge. Watson is the field director for the UWM project and will summarize the project's findings and hypotheses.

Woodhenge is the site of the Spring Equinox sunrise observance at 5:45 a.m. March 22. The discovery, form and function of this sun calendar built by the Mississippian Indians will be explained as visitors watch the rising sun welcome the season. The reconstructed Woodhenge is located one-half mile west of Monks Mound.

The Kahok Dancers, a non-native group, will present free performances at 2 and 3 p.m. March 22 in the Interpretive Center auditorium.

"Cahokia Landscapes," a temporary exhibit, continues through May. The exhibit features oil paintings of Cahokia Mounds by Collinsville artist Marc Sova and photographs by Tom Miller of Collinsville and Pete Bostrom of Troy.

Work continues on Monks Mound as new steps are installed on the front of the mound and drains are added to alleviate an ongoing slumping problem. Monks Mound will remain closed to the public until the work is completed in the spring. The rest of the site and the Interpretive Center remain open daily.

Visitors can reach Cahokia Mounds through MetroLink by a new Bi-State Transit bus route. From the MetroLink Fifth and Missouri Station in East St. Louis, catch the 555 bus (Fairmont-Exchange Ave.), which ends at Cahokia Mounds and then returns to the station. The buses run from 6 a.m. to midnight and cost $1 for adults, 50 cents for children under 12, senior citizens and people with disabilities. Transfers cost 5 or 10 cents. For a schedule, call 277-9504.

Self-guided tours of Cahokia Mounds are available through the free loan of a cassette tape or Braille guide, or the purchase of a guidebook, available in 13 languages, in the Museum Shop. For visitors with disabilities, a 17-minute video tour of Cahokia Mounds may be viewed upon request at the Interpretive Center.

Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site, administered by the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency, is off Interstates 55/70 and 255, and Illinois 111, on Collinsville Road. It is open daily for free public tours, although a donation of $2 for adults and $1 for children is suggested. Call 346-5160 for more information or a calendar of events.

Volkssport Club to host special event

Health fair, walk is planned for April 11 at Scott Air Force Base

The Illinois Trekkers Volkssport Club and the Scott Air Force Base Health and Wellness Center have joined together again to host a day of health and fun April 11 at Scott Air Force Base.

You are invited to join with other local walkers as they take part in a 5-kilometer (3.1 miles) or 10-kilometer (6.2 miles) walk around the base. After enjoying the walk, you will have the opportunity to participate in a health fair, sponsored by the Health and Wellness Center. The director of the center promises plenty of activities and health information.

Both walks start and finish at the center, located in the Gateway Recreation Center on West Martin Street on base. You may start the walk anytime between 8 a.m. and 11 a.m., but you must be finished by 2 p.m. Ample parking is available behind the center.

The event is open to everyone, and family participation is strongly encouraged. The walk is on flat ground and paved walkways and is rated as an easy degree of difficulty.

Wheelchairs, wagons and strollers will have no difficulty with the walk.

The walk will enable you to see the many interesting aspects of the military facility and its operations.

The event is credit only, sanctioned by the AVA-IVV and is eligible for credit towards IVV achievement awards.

Registration fees for the walk is $2, however, an assortment of "B" awards will be available for purchase.

Previous walkers should bring their event-distance books. New packets, as well as event and distance books, will be available for $5 each.

For more information, call 397-3815 or 632-4164.

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

Many planetary changes today! The moon zips into quick-witted Gemini in the wee hours, and then, beauty-loving Venus moves into free-spirited Aquarius, and fiery Mars moves into its native Aries. The combination of air and fire, feminine and masculine, energizes the day and provides a recipe for unexpected encounters, matters of the heart and a lively exchange about the nature of love.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Stop overanalyzing a mistake — others have already forgotten it. It's OK to fool someone else for a chuckle, but don't kid yourself. A romance needs complete re-evaluation. Calculations could contain errors.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Keep secrets. Diets and exercise help you to look more confident. Don't categorize people. Tender words work wonders. Past efforts bring you fantastic opportunities but in a new city.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Loved ones make concessions if confronted. Improve your concentration though meditating. Make up for lost time by organizing your office. Nagging a loved one only pushes you farther apart. A parent needs money.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Stop comparing past and present relationships. Sudden financial good news allows you to take the trip of a life time. Parties put you in the spotlight. Denials are insincere. Save your boss from embarrassment.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Exciting companionship becomes more important and easier to attain. A friend has asked you to do something you feel is wrong. Subtle messages may be misinterpreted.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 4). You are in your power, and others may even be a little bit jealous of you. Do not pass up the opportunity for meaningful love this month by being too picky or too cynical. Your mind is opening up to accept the affection and admiration of those who truly respect you. Virgo and Taurus want to marry you in June.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Honesty is refreshing. Postpone vacations, and focus on business. Love relationships click into place. Pretense is not only unnecessary, but it hurts you. People approve of your plans and ideas.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Talking over problems makes them seem more manageable. Tell a loved one what you expect, and don't make him or her guess. Important documents could be lost — get duplicates.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Give to a friend before you are asked, and you are forever held in high esteem. A love from many years ago is now available; make inquiries. An old plan is worth trying again. Travel for business.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Practical experience impresses employers. There could be hidden profits that you are not receiving. Talk about abilities, or you'll lose a golden opportunity. Impressive friends help you get a coveted assignment.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Relationship issues are skirted with astounding grace. Talent is no substitute for perseverance. You must get out of an awkward situation to succeed. Luck comes through inventions.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Begin long-range projects. Doing someone a favor ends up a complete hassle. Think before you say yes. New products cost less than extensive repairs. A friend will move near you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Money is secondary to your desire for recognition. Criticism from a current love hurts tremendously. Pursuing a hobby gives you insight into career choices. Father/son activities are lucky. Make contacts for the future.

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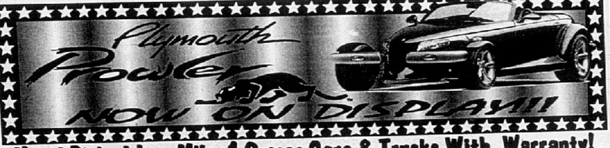

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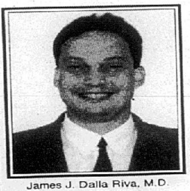
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DARE graduation

Teacher Jean Messick and his DARE graduates.

On Jan. 21, Maryville School's sixth-grade students attended the DARE Graduation at the Granite City High School Auditorium, along with five other area schools. Clabbie Briggs, principal, and teachers Jean Messick and Paula Hummel assisted in presenting diplomas to the students. Essay winner Jennifer Mull read her "DARE — Taking a Stand" essay. Runners up in the essay contest were Zachary Burch and David Wykoff.

From left: Ron Stern, administrative assistant of elementary education and DARE committee secretary, congratulates Jennifer Mull, essay winner; along with Police Chief Dave Ruebhausen and DARE officer Phillip Popmarkoff.

Teacher Paula Hummel and her DARE graduates.

Teens get serious about baby care

By Mark Hodapp
Staff writer

Baby, think it over.

That's the message staff members at Central District 104 in O'Fallon hope to get across to their students before they consider having sex.

Tony Ballard and Devon Hundt are taking this message to heart.

Tony and Devon — who are in the eighth grade at Central Grade School in O'Fallon participated in the school's sexual education program recently.

This year, nearly two-thirds of the school students voluntarily took on additional responsibility. They had to take care of a computerized doll, which acts like a real baby, for three days.

School nurse Karen Duckworth said the doll cries and is randomly programmed to detect abuse.

Duckworth said some of the students have since told her they now plan to wait a "long time" before becoming parents.

"All we can do is hope," Duckworth said.

There is no way to predict how the eight-pound doll will behave. They can be programmed to be irritable, normal or uneasy.

While Devon said she had the doll only three days, she said it was an invaluable inexperience.

"It definitely changed my mind about having children," Devon said. "I'm now going to wait until I'm 30-something."

She said she found her doll "cranky," noting she had to get up several times during the night.

"Babies are a big hassle," she said. "They're a big responsibility."

Devon said she found the doll was even more annoying than her little brother and sister.

"They don't cry as much," she said.

While in school, the students had to check the dolls into a make-shift nursery. The students also had to keep a budget.

Away from school, Devon said she even took her doll out to eat with her family and shopping on another occasion. At both places, she was met with a similar reaction.

"Everybody stopped and was staring at me," she said.

Devon said the experience had a lasting impression.

"I feel sorry for all those teenage parents who lose their after-school activities," she said.

Like Devon, Tony said he doesn't plans to have children soon. He said that was further reinforced when he found that it costs around $500 a month to raise a baby.

"I don't make that much money in a year," he said.

He said he also felt weird carrying the doll around. He said he thought his little brother was "a hassle" at times.

"I had no clue how babies would act," he said.

As it turned out, the doll was more of a hassle.

"It kept crying, and crying, and crying," Tony said. "One time, it wouldn't stop crying for a half hour."

He said that he took the doll to his brother's basketball practice, and it cried again.

"My grandma thought it was so cute," Tony said.

Experts say abuse leads to pregnancies

By Mark Hodapp
Staff writer

Merry Beth Henderson is concerned.

Last year, she assisted 200 pregnant and parenting teenagers at Belleville, Freeburg, Lebanon, Mascoutah and O'Fallon high schools.

Henderson, a "building opportunity specialist" with the St. Clair County Regional Office of Education, said about 95 percent of the 200 teenagers were abused one way or another in their own lives.

"Oftentimes they have children to affirm who they are," she said.

Henderson gave the examples of outcomes:

- Two of the mothers got married.
- Five of the children were given up for adoption.
- Thirteen of the mothers dropped out of school. Seven of those have since completed their GEDs.

Henderson also worked with one mother who was in the seventh grade last year.

She said there may be at least another 50 to 100 teen-age mothers who are not entering her voluntary program, and she also said she believes the

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Panel OKs
stiff penalty on holdups

By Becky Vollmer
Telegraph staff writer

Legislation aimed at stiffening the penalty for robberies committed with weapons other than guns cleared a hurdle Thursday with approval from the House Judicial Committee.

Under the bill, proposed by state Rep. Jay Hoffman, D-Collinsville, criminals who commit a robbery with the threat of weapons — including a knife, club, ax or stun gun — would face the same penalty as if a gun were used.

Under the law, only robberies in which victims are threatened with a gun are considered "aggravated." Aggravated robbery is a Class 1 felony and carries a mandatory sentence of at least four years in prison and up to a $10,000 fine.

"Whether a victim is threatened by someone with a knife or a gun, the apprehension and fear are still the same," Hoffman said. "Either way, the victim is violated, and this law will clear up the technicalities behind which criminals can hide."

The proposed legislation stems from a holdup in Edwardsville in November when a woman who had just withdrawn money from an automated teller machine at a downtown bank was allegedly threatened with a knife and robbed.

Lance A. Blackmon, 35, of Jennings, Mo., was charged with robbery. Under the proposed law, he would have been charged with aggravated robbery. If a gun is shown in a holdup, the charge is armed robbery.

Hoffman's bill has been supported by Edwardsville Director of Police Bennett Dickmann and Madison County State's Attorney William Haine since the day it was proposed in December. On Thursday, Dickmann said he was pleased to see it move a step closer to becoming law.

"We think it's good for law enforcement, and it sends a message to the criminal element that these matters are taken very seriously."

Hoffman, a former assistant state's attorney in St. Clair County, said in introducing the bill that it is meant to send a clear message that crimes involving violence and intimidation will not be tolerated.

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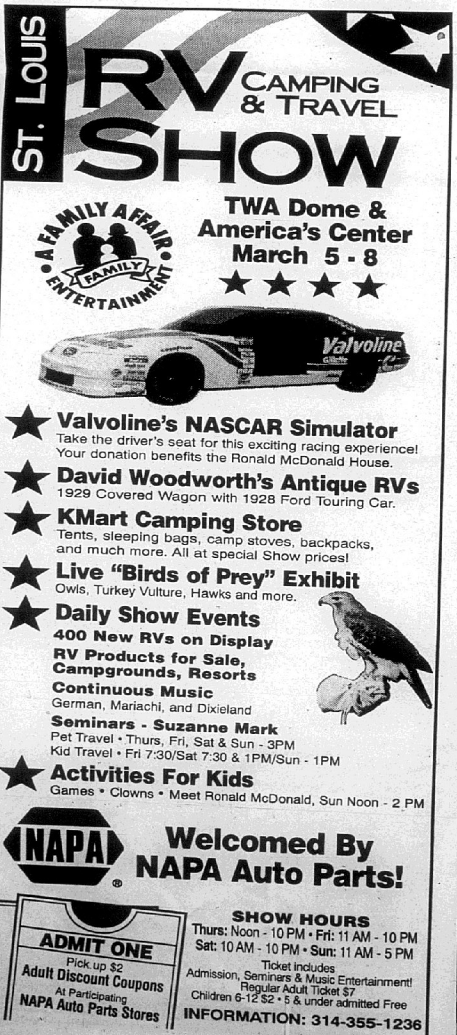

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New site manager ready to get going

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

In between shaking hands and attending meetings, Neil Rangen unpacks boxes.

The boxes were ones that Rangen, who last month became site manager at the Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site, spent a long-awaited vacation packing.

While his appointment has been effective for more than a month, Rangen has lived in town for only a few weeks.

"I really like the area," Rangen saidreally like the ar Rangen said of Collinsville.

The unpacking also is taking place at his on-site home where he and his wife, Carole, are getting settled.

Rangen came to the Mounds from the Black Hawk State Historic Site in Rock Island where he had been site manager since 1979.

He is originally from that area.

Rangen was familiar with the Mounds after visiting on several occasions, and he also knew his predecessor, Margaret Brown, who retired last month.

At 52, Rangen said many people have questioned his decision to make such a major move.

"I'd been there longer than any other place in my life, and I just felt a change would be good for me and for Black Hawk," Rangen said.

Rangen began his career 27 years ago as a ranger with the Illinois Department of Conservation.

He made that choice because he had a degree in law enforcement and at that time that was a ranger's function.

He worked in the Johnson-Sauk Trail Park in Kewanee.

The most immediate change for Rangen in his newest role is volume.

A larger staff and an infinitely larger site are going to take some getting used to, he admitted.

Black Hawk is a 208-acre historic site that also includes an additional 205-acre pre-historic site, Albany Mounds. Cahokia Mounds is a pre-historic site of 2,200 acres.

"It is very, very different than what I am used to," Rangen said. "But it's all been very interesting, and I've been very busy just doing routine things."

The Rangens have two grown children.

Their son, Steve, 29, is a corrections officer in East Moline; daughter Kathleen, 26, is a graduate student in bio-science at Western Illinois University.

Belleville man sues Publisher's Clearing House

By Mark Hodapp
Staff writer

Thomas Vollmer thought he struck it rich.

But the Belleville resident now believes he was duped by the Publishers Clearing House and American Family Publishers sweepstake contests.

Vollmer wants to get even.

Vollmer has filed a class action lawsuit in Belleville accusing the Publishers Clearing House and American Family Publishers of fraud.

A similar suit was filed in St. Louis, and by Florida's attorney general.

Vollmer's attorney, Steven Katz of Belleville, said his client's story "is very typical" and has been repeated by more than 100 people during the past few days.

"The problem is widespread," Katz said Thursday. "I didn't even know the problem was this big. I can't even get through to my co-council in St. Louis."

Katz's co-council is Steven Stolze of St. Louis. Stolze filed a class action lawsuit in St. Louis Tuesday for Lori Pyatt of St. Louis and Barbara Downing of Jefferson City, Mo.

Stolze, who has reportedly received more than 1,000 phone calls since Tuesday, could not be reached for comment.

Vollmer, starting in 1995 to around October 1997, purchased books and magazines from both clearinghouses believing it would increase his chances of winning cash and prizes, according to his filed complaint.

But Vollmer now believes he had no greater odds of winning either sweepstakes than people who did not order materials, Katz said.

Vollmer is asking that both companies pay him between $15,000 and $75,000 plus all court costs.

In addition, Vollmer is seeking a permanent injunction prohibiting fraudulent or misleading mailings.

Katz said he believes a ruling will be rendered within 90 days if Vollmer's suit can be tried as a class action case. He said he believes he has enough evidence, noting he has spoken to one person who bought more than $10,000 worth of magazines because of the contests.

"It's going to be a tremendous battle," Katz said.

Representatives from the Publishers Clearing House and American Family Publishers could not be reached for comment Monday.

10th annual Girl Scout food drive set to begin

River Bluffs Girl Scouts in Calhoun, Jersey and parts of St. Clair and Madison Counties will conduct its 10th annual Girl Scout Food Drive on March 7-14.

Each year, the Girl Scout Food Drive coincides with national Girl Scout Week and the anniversary of the founding of Girl Scouting in the United States on March 12, 1912.

On March 7, Girl Scouts will distribute collection sacks to more than 45,000 area residents during daylight hours. The Girl Scouts will then return on March 14 between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. to collect the items and immediately distribute them to local food pantries and charities. The Girl Scout Food Drive is a district-wide community service project and will involve more than 3,900 Girl Scouts and more than 800 adult volunteers. In all, the Girl Scouts will go door-to-door to collect food and personal hygiene products in 50 area communities.

Each collection bag the Girl Scouts distribute to residents will explain what types of donation items are needed. In most cases, the Girl Scouts are looking for canned and boxed foods and health and hygiene products to include soups, canned meats, canned fruits and vegetables, boxed cereal, toothpaste, shampoo, soaps, diapers, laundry and dish soap, cleaning products, kleenex and toilet paper.

When the donated items are picked up, the Girl Scouts will distribute them to 18 local food pantries including: Dorris **Helping Hands**, East St. Louis; **Second Chance Shelter**, East St. Louis; **Mount Zion Missionary Baptist**, East St. Louis; **North End Baptist Church**, East St. Louis; **Protestant Welfare**, Granite City; and **True Fellowship L.D. Tate**, Madison.

"The annual Girl Scout Food Drive is a tremendous undertaking for us, but we feel great to be able to do this for our communities," said Char McAllister, River Bluffs Girl Scout Council Director of Membership and Marketing. "This is just another way our Girl Scouts can give back to their communities and show that Girl Scouting does make a difference."

McAllister is looking forward to another successful food drive this year.

"In past years, local residents have been tremendously generous by supporting our food drive. We look forward to this year's campaign and hope that everyone will support us as we collect donations for area food pantries and charity organizations," McAllister added.

In addition, many of the Girl Scouts will also work in the food pantries to help sort and organize the donations and restock the shelves.

Response from area food pantries receiving the donations have been overwhelmingly positive in the past. According to McAllister, donations are always numerous around the holidays, but once the holidays are over people often forget about the hungry.

"At this time of year, many of the food pantries are running low on food and supplies and the Girl Scouts Food Drive is one way to get the shelves restocked. We are happy to do our part to support those less fortunate than ourselves," McAllister added.

She also stressed that safety of the Girl Scouts while they are distributing the bags and then collecting the donations is a primary concern.

"Safety of our girls is our number one priority," McAllister added. "We hope all motorists will be extra careful and watchful for the girls as they go door-to-door during this year's Girl Scout Food Drive."

River Bluffs Girl Scout Council, headquartered in Glen Carbon, is a not-for-profit organization serving approximately 10,000 girls and 2,500 adult volunteers in a five and one-half county jurisdiction including, Calhoun, Jersey, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair and parts of Macoupin, Clinton and Randolph counties. For more information about the Girl Scouts, call River Bluffs at (618) 692-0692.

Health

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students need more sex education.

The St. Clair County Medical Alliance recently donated $1,500 to the St. Clair County Health Department which purchased six computerized dolls that act like real babies for the Regional Office of Education.

Henderson is planning to take the dolls into area junior high schools to demonstrate about the consequences and responsibilities of having children.

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Historic election

The Madison County Historical Society, during their meeting at the County Museum on Feb. 19, elected new officers for the coming year. Janet Collins, a long-time member of the society, was elected to head the organization, which owns the County Museum in Edwardsville. Pictured above, from left, are: Josephine Narup, secretary; Janet Collins, president; Elmer Stille, treasurer; Helen Delicate, first vice president; and Jeanne Wolf Theen, second vice president. The museum, 715 N. Main St., has a variety of memoriabilia and is dedicated to the preservation of the history of Madison County. The museum is open to the public Wednesday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m. Admission is free.

Calhoun at home in Metro East

By Mark Hodapp
Staff writer

When Tom Calhoun talks, people listen.

But when the KTRS-AM news anchor and St. Louis Blues public-address announcer isn't broadcasting, Calhoun lives a "pretty quiet" lifestyle in Belleville.

Calhoun and his wife, Barb, have two sons: Ian, 17, a senior at Belleville West, and Stewart, 13, a seventh-grader at Millstadt Consolidated School.

"I used to enjoy bowling," said Calhoun, a 1968 of Belleville West High School. "And I enjoy watching sports on television."

Calhoun, who is a self-professed "swim team parent," is also busy building a new house in Millstadt.

Calhoun grew up on South 20 Street in Belleville and moved to Ninth Street, where his mom still lives.

As far as his future plans, Calhoun said that's unclear.

"That's a question I can't answer," he said. "In this field, you sometimes have to make adjustments at a minute's notice."

Ironically, Calhoun went to Belleville Area College because he wanted to star on another field: the baseball diamond.

"But I didn't make the team, and that got me thinking about other things," he said. "I really loved sports, and people always told me that I had a good voice, and I thought it would neat to combine the two."

Calhoun transfered to Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, where he majored in mass communications. He started doing play-by-play sports on campus radio station WSIE-FM "with the intention of being the next Jack Buck."

"But I found out while I was there that I enjoyed other things in broadcasting, and that versatility helped me get my first job at WIBV (in the summer of 1973)," he said. "That's where I met my wife."

Calhoun had a variety of duties at WIBV.

"I did everything but sweeping the floor," he said.

On his first day of work, Calhoun recalled there was a thunderstorm and a power outage.

"I had to broadcast from the basement of the transmitter building in an inch of water, with 1942 microphones and a couple turntables that were hardly up to speed," he said.

Calhoun, who is now working the evening shift at KTRS-AM, initially was an afternoon disc jockey at WIBV, where he cut a couple of commercials, and tried to do as much play-by-play as possible with Metro East radio veterans Joe May and Dave Ballone.

"And in those days we did practically every game we could fit into our schedule," he said.

Calhoun's first of three stints at WIBV lasted until 1982.

"They started trying to sell the station, although it didn't happen for another five or six years," he said. "They decided to cut the salaries of some of the people who were there, and I was one of them."

He then worked part-time at WIL-FM for about nine months before moving on to KXOK-FM, which briefly held the Blues broadcasting rights.

"After I had worked there for two years, the ownership went sour," he said. "They scaled down to practically no staff and I was caught up in that."

About that time, Ron Jacober moved from KXOK-FM to KMOX-AM and hired Calhoun as a part-time producer and sports announcer. He worked there for one and a half years before coming back to work at WIBV.

While Calhoun said he feels comfortable doing radio, growing up he thought about becoming a lawyer.

"That is a field that I wish gotten into," he said.

St. Louis' Keil Center is home away from home for Calhoun

By Scott Marion
Staff writer

If Kiel Center is rocking during a St. Louis Blues' victory, Tom Calhoun is in the middle of the action.

The veteran radio broadcaster, now with KTRS, is the Blues' public address announcer. Since taking the job while at KMOX more than a decade ago, he has called Brett Hull's 500th career goal and many other memorable moments in team history.

"Charlie Hodges, who had been the P.A. announcer, got a job with Bud Sports and had to quit," Calhoun said. "In January of 1987, I was hired to fill in until the end of the season.

"At the end of the season, they asked me to do it again the next season. One season led to another, and it's turned into 11 years. I really enjoy it and it's always fun. It's an interesting part of my life."

Situated between the penalty boxes, Calhoun has a front-row seat for the action on the ice. But watching the game is only one part of his job.

"It's changed quite a bit over the years," Calhoun said. "The first season, it was just a matter of announcing goals and penalties, an occasional pronouncement during time outs and between periods and announcing the groups that were at the game.

"I still do all those things, but since we've been at the Kiel Center, there's the added element of the Jumbotron. I wear a headset to listen to the technical director, who gives me cues for what's on the [illegible]rd. It's become a lot more [illegible]licated.

"The marketing of the team is also a lot more sophisticated than it used to be. They have a lot of TV time outs now, which didn't used to be the case in the early days. There's always something going on, from giving away buckets of chicken wings from TWA to the attendance quiz from the Casino Queen."

Like the players and broadcasters, Calhoun follows a specific routine on game nights.

"I arrive about an hour and half before the game and have dinner with the off-ice officials," he said. "They're my buddies at the game — they've been there since day one.

"I keep my distance from the writers and broadcasters. I don't want to approach my job as a member of the media, even though I am away from Kiel Center. I'm kind of a pseudo-official, and a lot of things go on in my position. I'm under the direction of the NHL, but I'm paid by the Blues. At least I can announce Blues' goals with enthusiasm."

One of Calhoun's most memorable nights on the job came several years ago, in a St. Louis-Detroit game, where Blues goaltender Curtis Joseph got into a fight with Red Wings goaltender Tim Cheveldae.

"(Red Wings enforcer) Bob Probert was in the penalty box, and some guy right behind the glass where he was sitting was giving him a bunch of grief," Calhoun said. "Probert started climbing the glass to go into the crowd, and there wasn't a security guard to be seen.

"So I reached back and grabbed Probert by the trunks. He looked down at me like 'You don't want to do that,' and I let go immediately. When things calmed down, he nudged me and said 'What where you thinking?'

"I get a kick out of guys like (Blues enforcer) Tony Twist, who will really battle with somebody and look like they're going to tear their head off. But once they're in the box, it's like 'How are the wife and kids?' or 'How about a beer after the game?' Fighting is just their job. But (the conversation) isn't always like that. Early this year, (Chicago's) Chris Chelios threatened to kill Pierre Turgeon."

Calhoun's season consists of 41 regular-season home games, several exhibition games and usually at least one round of playoffs.

"It's a lot of fun for me to be in the middle of all that," he said. "You get to know people that you would not normally have an opportunity to. For the most part, people in hockey are real genuine.

"The job takes away a lot of the time I would normally get to spend with my family, but (Calhoun's wife) Barb and the boys (sons Ian and Stewart) get to go to a lot of games. Between periods, they come down and hang out with me."

With the Blues getting off to a great start this season — and remaining competitive despite injuries to key players — the crowds at Kiel Center have been large and enthusiastic. That wasn't always the case in the last days of the Mike Keenan era.

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Today's Food

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Food & Nutrition

Wise Ways

Breakfast can energize the world before noon.
INSIDE

Heart-y Bites

Crunchy celery stands on its own flavor promise for humans, in spite of a reputation as 'rabbit food.
INSIDE

Blue Ribbon Cook

What's your seafood choice tonight? Does shellfish or a firm steak sound better? Add it to pasta. Will it be red or white sauce? This week's winning, easy recipe has dinner preferences covered.
INSIDE

Test Run

When fresh winter fruit is temporarily washed out and the family is tired of oranges and grapefruit, canned fruit can take a turn. Testers wanted to know what is new on the shelf.
INSIDE

Micro Raves

Rice is a basic staple that gives everybody nutrition, fill-'er-up sustenance and an inexpensive base for a variety of easy dishes the world loves.
INSIDE

Lively Taste

What spices up vegetables? Try a spoonful of salsa; a sprinkling of tarragon- or other herb-flavored vinegar; chopped green onion or chives; lemon juice; chopped tomato; a sprinkling of parmesan cheese; or herbs, such as thyme, tarragon, rosemary, cilantro, dill or parsley.

Health & Fitness

Medicine Chest

Vitamin research delves into more disease than the common cold. Vitamin C levels are 10 times higher in the brain than in other parts of the body. A special chemical form of vitamin C, dehydroascorbic acid, can get into the brain when other forms cannot. This may lead to vital information about combatting Alzheimer's disease and other neurological diseases.

Fresh Picks

A banana is a multipurpose tool for fruit salad that can be made individually or for a group. For a quick treat, combine 1 can mandarin oranges with 1 banana, sliced, and sprinkle with frozen blueberries as desired. Let stand at room temperature about 10 minutes until berries start to thaw. Add a few spoons of lemon juice to fruit juice, if other fruit or juice is non-acidic, to keep banana from turning brown. Sweeten fruits for salad with a little peach or apricot nectar, apple, orange or pineapple juice.

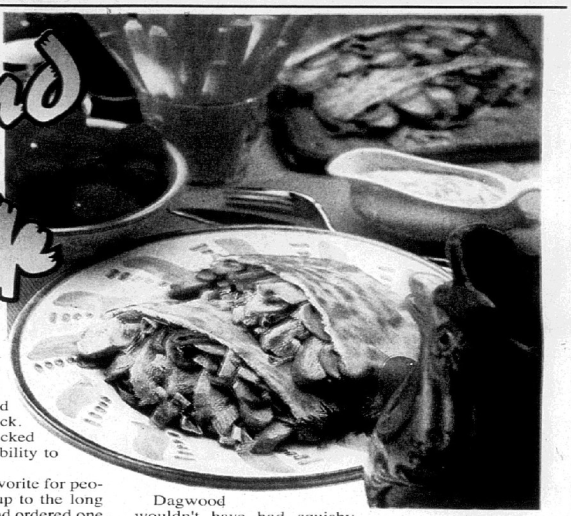
Big Fat Tip

Broil or bake a couple extra chicken breasts, then cube, to form the base of chicken salad. Add 1-1/2 cups cooked bow-tie pasta; 2 medium tomatoes, diced; 8 ounces fresh asparagus, steamed and cut in 3-inch lengths; 4 green onions, chopped; 1 cup diced green bell pepper; 4 tablespoons nonfat Italian salad dressing; 2 tablespoons balsamic or red wine vinegar; and 4 tablespoons grated parmesan cheese. Any type of small-shaped pasta may be used. Tuna canned in water may replace chicken.

Future Shop

Create a goal of trying one new fruit and one new vegetable each month. A new variety, such as a different orange or winter squash, counts. Try it with familiar territory. For instance, add spears of crunchy jicama to other bite-size vegetables with a low-fat dip, or include a new fruit with others in fruit salad.

Hand It Over

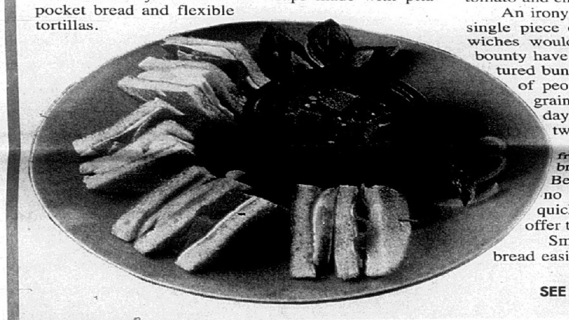


By Janice Denham
Staff writer

Dagwood Bumstead is the all-time cheerleader of sandwiches. He enjoyed crawling out of bed for a midnight snack. His prowess in building a multi-decked sandwich was surpassed only by his ability to bite into it.

The club sandwich is an all-time favorite for people who first ate it when they sidled up to the long counter of a local diner or dime store and ordered one to eat with potato chips and a cherry cola.

An attribute of the sandwich-making art is perfected in today's interest in wraps made with pita pocket bread and flexible tortillas.



Dagwood wouldn't have had squishy pieces flying out if he had thought to roll ingredients in breads of the world that don't funnel mustard, tomato and cheese out the bottom.

An irony is that, after years of people loading a single piece of bread with toppings so their sandwiches wouldn't seem "heavy," breads in all their bounty have become a fancy of the meal. Solid-textured buns and rolls, even bagels, are the darling of people trying to get six to 11 servings of grains as a firm, convenient eating base every day. Two slices of bread usually provides two servings of grains.

The old "white" bread is hard to budge from its pedestal, but variety and hearth breads are strong movers in the bread box. Because they usually are made with few or no preservatives, they should be eaten quickly after purchase. Whole-grain breads offer the best of the grain.

Small households find indulging in a tasty bread easier by single purchase, but occasionally

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Wake Up to Breakfast

Breakfast plays an important role in how a morning goes. Teachers appreciate efforts of students who eat breakfast before they come to school, because they more alertly tackle the day.

This is National School Breakfast Week. Whether breakfast is a bowl of cereal at home or at school, whether a child eats traditional scrambled egg or a breakfast burrito with salsa, the result is positive. That child is more mentally and physically ready to learn.

Missouri schools rank high in offering school breakfast, with 75 percent of schools participating. Illinois is improving, but only about half its schools offer breakfast.

Breakfast ideas to make at home are available by sending 25 cents and a stamped, self-addressed, business-size envelope to: National Dairy Council, Department Smart Starts, 10255 W. Higgins Road, Suite 900, Rosemont, Ill., 60018-5616.

A simple one is to heat 2 English muffin halves, spread with 1/4 cup pizza sauce or seasoned tomato sauce and about 2/3 cup shredded cheese until the cheese melts. Another hand-held breakfast -- chunky applesauce, a sprinkle of cinnamon-sugar and shredded cheese wrapped in a flour tortilla -- is heated until the cheese melts.

Ham and Cheese Squares, easy to make the night before and reheated, are typical of dishes that attract kids to eat at school before class. It makes about 12 servings.

Ham and Cheese Squares

1 lb. frozen potatoes O'Brien with onion and bell pepper, thawed (about 4 cups)
6 oz. turkey ham, cubed
1 cup (4 oz.) shredded cheddar or Swiss cheese
6 eggs, beaten
1 cup plain nonfat yogurt
1/2 tsp. salt
1/4 tsp. pepper
1 apple, sliced

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease 13-by-9-inch baking pan.

Combine potatoes, ham, cheese, eggs, yogurt, salt and pepper. Spread evenly in prepared pan.

Bake in preheated oven 40 to 45 minutes until golden brown and center is firm.

Let stand 5 minutes. Cut in squares. Garnish with apple. Serve immediately.

Night-Before Tip: Bake squares the night before. Cool, cover and refrigerate. To reheat a serving, place square on microwave-safe plate. Cover lightly with waxed paper. Microwave on high power 45 seconds to 1 minute until heated through.

Today's Food

Test Run

Canned fruit comes in a myriad of flavor varieties for the sweetly inclined.

Need winter fruit relief? Try can of bright flavor

If El Nino's ill winds result in expensive fresh produce, canned fruit — particularly in bright new flavors — could bring winter relief before spring freshness has a chance to bloom.

Testers gave several varieties a try: Del Monte ginger-flavored pear halves and very cherry mixed fruit (15-ounce can for $1.05 at Shop 'n Save), Libby's "island" apricots ($1.29 for 15-ounces) and Del Monte apple cups, cinnamon-flavored diced apples (a package of four individual *4-ounce flip-top cans for $1.50)*.

Attributes of each were touted, but the larger cans received the most positive press.

"The ginger pears are delicious. They have good texture and just a slight ginger flavor that is refreshing," a tester said.

Another said they were "wonderful, with the flavor a nice balance of natural pear with other flavors."

One tester liked the way the ginger flavor mildly penetrated the fruit, so it was not just a part of the juice.

Similar comments were made about the apricots chunks set in a light pineapple-flavored syrup.

"I thought the island apricots were the best of the canned fruits. The fruit had a nice cruchiness and wasn't too sweet," a tester said.

Another based her evaluation on a confession that apricot is her favorite fruit.

"They had consistent size, color, texture and a nice bright orange color. The texture was firm, not too mushy," she said.

Another apricot fan com*pared* them to plain canned *fruit*.

"When I was a kid, we had an apricot tree in our back yard and I think the canned often is closer to real fresh than the fresh apricots we get in our markets in the Midwest," she said.

"I'm torn from both sides on this product. The apricots in small chunks are easier to eat than the halves, but I think the pineapple juice dilutes their lushness."

The mixed fruit was a hit with people who like fruit cocktail.

"I think the quality of the fruit chunks is as good as ever," a tester said. "It's a shame they can't put cherries throughout can, because the first guy gets all of them. I was glad to see lots of grapes though, my second favorite fruit in fruit cocktail."

Another called it "a real kid pleaser." Even without cherries, one thought it was a winner.

"I like cherry cocktail flavor. I love that kind of sweetness. By the time I got to it, there weren't any cherries left, but the juice tasted just like the cherries, which is a delightfully addictive taste," she said.

The apple cups received mixed reviews: positive for texture, but questionable over the cinnamon impact.

"The cinnamon diced apples were crunchy, so in that respect were superior to typical canned fruit, but they don't taste exactly like cinnamon," a taster said.

Others were disappointed about the effect of cinnamon flavor on the apples.

"The cinnamon flavor wasn't distinct and it took away from the apple flavor," said a "dad" tester.

Wise Ways

By JANANNE FINCK

Body, brain do breakfast so they have a nice day

The alarm didn't go off, so you're running late. Another day begins without breakfast.

Unfortunately, many skip breakfast. The usual excuses of "not enough time," "not hungry" and "I don't like cereal" are popular responses, regardless of age. Others skip it because they are trying to lose weight.

While skipping breakfast may appear an easy way to cut calories, studies suggest skipping breakfast does not help with weight management. In fact, a majority of overweight people tend to skip breakfast.

No doubt about it: Breakfast is the most important meal of the day. The body needs refueling after eight to 12 hours without food overnight. Without the proper nutrients from breakfast, chances are children will not make up for this lower intake during the day.

Many research studies show eating breakfast helps improve mental and physical performance, too. With breakfast, children and adults perform better in school and work.

Nationally, the importance of breakfast is recognized for school children by designating the first week of March as National School Breakfast Week. It is a great time to resolve to eat breakfast for energy.

Breakfast does not have to be the typical bacon, eggs, toast and juice. Leftovers from last night's supper provide a quick, nutritious morning meal. Alternates jump out from every door and drawer in the kitchen:

- For a nutritious and satisfying breakfast, include a fruit or fruit juice. Next add a bread, cereal, pasta or starch. The menu is rounded off with a low-fat dairy product, like skim milk or low-fat yogurt.
- On cool days, try hot cereal with dried fruit, like raisins, or unsweetened applesauce.
- For a cold cereal lover, serve it with skim milk and top with fresh, frozen, dried or canned fruit. Top cereal with yogurt, fruit and a pinch of cinnamon for a tasty treat.
- Toasted bread is good with low-fat cottage cheese. For more flavor, add cinnamon and fruit, or toast raisin bread.
- A sandwich is an option to grab on the run. Make one with toasted whole-grain bread and a slice or two of low- or no-fat cheese.
- A person who likes to bake ahead can stir up a batch of favorite low-fat bran muffins, pancakes or waffles. Bake, freeze, then toast or microwave as many as needed on busy mornings.
- Be careful to limit doughnuts, pastry and store-bought muffins, because they add little more than sugar, fat and calories.
- Beware of fast-food breakfasts high in fat and calories. Typical are ones available at the drive-through window, but check labels of frozen models, too, to make the best selection. Some breakfast sandwiches have more than 550 calories and are high in sodium.

Registered dietitian Jananne Finck is nutrition and wellness educator with the University of Illinois Cooperative Extension Service at the Springfield Extension Center.

Heart-y Bites

By BECKY BLAIR

Celery takes a ribbing as queen of diet crowd

Feasting on new, exciting culinary delights is a highlight of traveling. Exploring new restaurants is always fun and delicious, but local supermarkets reveal the true flavor of a region.

Citrus Celery, a recipe from Try-Foods International, was discovered while perusing the vegetable section of a grocery store in Corpus Christi, Texas.

Mention of the word "celery" conjures up thoughts of "rabbit food" and "diet." It's a staple of the weight-loss crowd. Part of this may be based on one medium rib of celery containing only 6 calories. In essence, more calories are expended than gained when celery is digested and absorbed.

The crunchy vegetable of today was developed from wild celery by Italian gardeners in the 16th century. Ancient Greeks awarded it to winners of sporting events. Today it takes form in salad, stew and soup, on its own as a vegetable side dish, and in hors d'oeuvres. Celery's distinctive flavor is concentrated into celery salt.

There are two varieties of celery. Pascal, common in supermarkets across the country, is heavy and green-ribbed with large green leaves. Golden celery, which is blanched, has white ribs and yellow leaves.

Celery often is a secondary ingredient in a variety of dishes, but it has enough charisma to take center stage, such as in Citrus Celery. It is a low-fat, heart-healthy side dish that brightens any meal. The strong flavors of red pepper and orange juice stand up to the assertive celery and add color and an abundant dose of vitamin C, an antioxidant. Ginger peps up the flavor, too.

The dish helps satisfy the "5-a-Day" fruits and vegetables recommendation of health authorities.

Registered dietitian Becky Blair is a member of the nutrition committee of the American Heart Association, St. Louis Chapter.

CITRUS CELERY

4 cups diagonally sliced celery
1 cup red bell pepper, diced
1 cup scallion, cut in 1 inch slices
1 tbsp. grated ginger root or 1 tsp. ground ginger
½ cup orange juice
1 tsp. cornstarch
1 tbsp. light brown sugar
2 cups cooked long grain rice

Coat large nonstick skillet with nonstick cooking spray. Cook celery, bell pepper, scallion and ginger about 5 minutes until celery is tender-crisp.

In small bowl, dissolve cornstarch in orange juice. Combine with vegetables and brown sugar. Cook until mixture thickens and boils. Boil and stir 1 minute longer.

Serve celery over rice.

Makes 4 servings; 156 calories, 3 g protein, 36 g carbohydrate, no fat and 3 g dietary fiber each.

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still need to use the age-old practice of refrigerating leftovers to slow the aging process.

Careful use of a microwave oven helps revive this chilled product. Just 10 to 15 seconds on high power can bring it back to life, even if it is slightly dry. Covering with a paper towel or napkin helps equalize the moisture. Letting the bread sit more than a few minutes after warming toughens it, so use it immediately after "zapping." Placing it on a paper plate helps, too — and is a convenient excuse for avoiding a dirty plate.

When it comes to getting dishes dirty, the toaster partners the microwave. Toast bread before composing a sandwich on a paper plate. Those lightly browned bookends can be heated with favorite ingredients in a microwave just until it is warm or the cheese melts for a comfort-style meal any time of day.

When more warmth is needed, serve the sandwich with hot soup. If a cool lunch is more refreshing, add crunchy salad or fresh fruit. To relate flavors, use thin slivers of fresh herbs to garnish the sandwich, plus soup or salad.

Sandwiches make an easy breakfast, too. French toast can be filled with light cream cheese, peanut butter and/or jam for a warm morning start. For grab-and-go, often a sandwich with a firm filling is easier than a crumbly muffin or cereal that needs milk and a spoon.

FRENCH TOASTWICH

4 egg whites
1 egg yolk
1 cup nonfat milk or buttermilk
½ tsp. cinnamon
Pinch salt
8 slices bread
4 tbsp. neufchatel (light cream) cheese
Jam or jelly
Confectioner's sugar

Whisk together egg whites and yolk, milk, cinnamon and salt in wide shallow bowl.

Spread 4 slices bread with cream cheese. Top with jam. Cover with remaining 4 slices bread. Dip or brush both sides of sandwich in egg mixture.

In nonstick skillet coated with nonstick cooking spray, warm 2 sandwiches at a time over medium heat until golden brown, turning once.

Cut diagonally. Sprinkle with confectioner's sugar. Serve warm.

Makes 4 sandwiches; 272 calories, 13 g protein, 41 g carbohydrate, 6 g fat, 688 mg sodium and 1.4 g dietary fiber each.

GRILLED PEAR CLUB

3 slices sandwich-cut bread
1 tsp. Dijon mustard
1 slice (1 oz.) Monterey Jack cheese
2 slices turkey bacon, cooked until crisp, drained
½ ripe pear, cored, thinly sliced
Pinch nutmeg
1 slice (1 oz.) reduced-fat cheddar cheese

Spread bread with thin layer of mustard. On one slice, lay Monterey Jack cheese, then bacon. Top with second slice of bread.

Sprinkle pear with nutmeg. Place on top of second bread slice. Top with cheddar cheese. Top with remaining slice of bread.

Place skillet coated with nonstick cooking spray over medium heat. Brown on both sides until cheese is melted.

Makes 1 sandwich.

CHICKEN PITA POCKETS

4 boneless, skinless chicken breasts
¾ cup ranch salad dressing
1 tbsp. dill weed
2 tbsp. oil
1 cup sliced fresh mushrooms
1 cup thinly sliced sweet onion
1 cup shredded lettuce
4 large pita bread loaves, halved

Rinse chicken with cold water and pat dry with paper towels. Place between two sheets of plastic wrap; pound to flatten.

Combine ranch dressing and dill.

In large skillet, heat 1 tablespoon oil. Cook mushrooms and onion 3 minutes or until tender. Remove from pan.

Heat remaining tablespoon oil in pan. Cok chicken in oil 4 to 5 minutes per side or until done. Slice in strips.

Stuff pita bread halves with lettuce, chicken and mushroom mixture. Top with dill sauce. Serve with carrot sticks.

Note: For extra crunch, add 1 cucumber — peeled, seeded and chopped — to ranch dressing.

Makes 4 servings.

Recipes

BEEF SKILLET

1 lb. lean ground beef
1 jar (16 oz.) mild salsa
1 can (15½ oz.) red kidney beans
1½ cup quick-cooking rice
¾ cup water
3 tbsp. chopped green bell pepper
1 cup (4 oz.) shredded sharp cheddar cheese
Corn chips

In skillet, brown ground beef. Drain. Top with salsa, undrained beans, uncooked rice, water and green pepper. Cover. Simmer, stirring occasionally, 20 minutes.

Top with cheese. Cook over low heat, covered, about 3 minutes longer until cheese melts.

Top each serving with ¼ cup corn chips.

Makes 6 servings.

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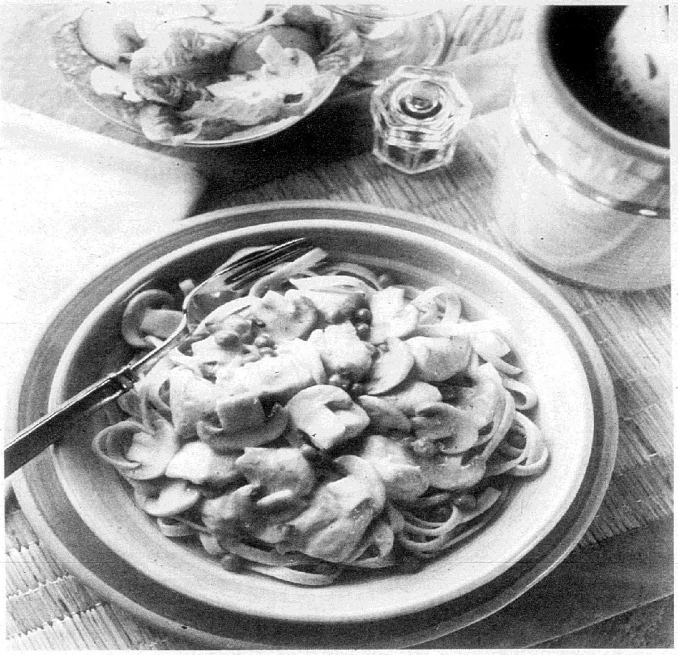

A creamy, satisfying dish of chicken, fresh mushrooms and prepared alfredo sauce makes an easy main dish worth coming home.

Dinner for whole family pairs pasta performers

Here is easy math for harried cooks: Add one package pasta, a jar of prepared sauce, plenty of fresh mushrooms and a couple other staples. A delicious dinner comes to the table with no penalty for time, because the sum is easy to compute. Each recipe uses just five or six ingredients to make a satisfying main dish for the entire family.

When cooking with so few ingredients, it is essential to use foods that pack a million units of flavor punch. Use sausage with seasoning, pasta sauce already flavored and saute chicken and mushrooms to prime the natural flavors.

In Mushrooms and Chicken Alfredo, for example, the mushrooms contribute a complex taste and meaty texture that partners perfectly with the mild chicken breast and creamy sauce. For easy addition to hectic everyday meals, this elegant dish goes from stovetop to dinner table in less than 15 minutes.

Pasta fans who prefer red sauce can plan on Pasta with 'Room, Sausage and Bean Sauce.

While pasta cooks, saute sausage and mushrooms, then heat the mixture briefly with ready-to-use pasta sauce and canned cannellini beans. Just toss this delicious melange with the cooked pasta and eat up.

When buying mushrooms, look for them with a dry, not dried-out, surface free from dark spots.

For optimal storage time, refrigerate mushrooms in a paper bag; storing in plastic causes them to deteriorate faster.

MUSHROOMS AND CHICKEN ALFREDO

6 oz. uncooked fettuccine
2 tbsp. olive oil
1 lb. boneless, skinless chicken breast, cut in 1 inch chunks
12 oz. fresh mushrooms, sliced (about 4½ cups)
1 jar (about 17 oz.) alfredo sauce
1 cup frozen peas, thawed (optional)

Cook fettuccine according to package directions. Drain.

In large nonstick skillet, heat 1 tablespoon oil over high heat. Cook and stir chicken about 5 minutes until golden on all sides. Remove to plate.

Heat remaining 1 tablespoon oil in same skillet. Saute mushrooms about 5 minutes until lightly browned and liquid has evaporated.

Reduce heat to medium-low. Return chicken to skillet. Stir in sauce and peas. Simmer, covered, about 3 minutes until sauce is hot, stirring occasionally.

Serve chicken sauce over hot fettuccine.

Makes 4 servings.

PASTA WITH 'ROOM, SAUSAGE AND BEAN SAUCE

8 oz. uncooked linguini
8 oz. pork or turkey Italian sausage, sliced ½ inch thick
1 lb. fresh mushrooms, halved or quartered if large (about 5½ cups)
3 tbsp. plus ½ cup water
1 jar (28 oz.) chunky pasta sauce
1 can (15.5 oz.) cannellini beans, rinsed, drained

Cook linguini according to package directions. Drain.

In large nonstick skillet over medium heat, cook sausage about 5 minutes until lightly browned. Remove to paper towels to drain.

Add mushrooms and 3 tablespoons water. Cook and stir about 6 minutes until liquid evaporates and mushrooms are tender.

Return sausage to skillet. Add pasta sauce, beans and ½ cup water. Stir to combine. Simmer, covered, about 3 minutes until hot.

Serve sausage mixture over linguini.

Makes 4 servings.

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Micro Raves

By KATHY HANEWINKEL

Rice is everyday food that sticks to the ribs

Rice is a staple on the base of any country's Food Guide Pyramid. It is low in fat and high in complex carbohydrates (starches). It helps form healthy eating habits every day.

Americans prefer the white, polished variety, but it would prove healthier if the whole grain — brown or wild — rice was on the table more. Whole grain varieties contain fiber, a carbohydrate that has many purposes, including aiding digestion. One-half cup (1 serving) of cooked white rice contains only 82 calories.

Risotto, a creamy Italian rice dish made with short grain rice, is among the today's popular dishes. Pilaf made with regular long-cooking rice cooks to perfection.

Here are tips to ensure it:

• Rice and cereal grains are done when almost all the liquid is absorbed. Let stand, covered, 5 to 10 minutes to increase tenderness and absorb remaining liquid. Use a microwave-safe container big enough to let the liquid simmer without overflowing.

• Rice freezes well and reheats nicely in a microwave oven.

• Use bouillon, stock or tomato juice for more flavorful liquid than water to cook rice. One cup of long grain rice uses 2 cups liquid, while 1 cup brown rice needs 2½ cups liquid.

• To cook regular — the long-cooking type — rice, combine it with water, cover loosely and cook on high power 5 to 7 minutes until the mixture boils, then simmer on medium (50 percent) power 15 to 25 minutes until most of the liquid is absorbed. Let stand 5 to 10 minutes until tender.

Home economist Kathy Hanewinkel specializes in microwave cooking.

YUMMY MICROWAVE RICE PILAF

¼ cup (½ stick) margarine or butter
½ cup chopped onion
1 cup chopped celery
1 envelope chicken noodle soup mix
2½ cups water
Pinch white pepper
Pinch sage
Pinch thyme
1 cup long grain rice

In large microwave-safe casserole, microwave margarine, onion and celery, covered, on high power 3 minutes.

Stir in soup mix, water, pepper, sage and thyme. Cook, covered, on high power 5 to 6 minutes.

Add rice. Cook, covered, on low (30 percent) power 18 to 20 minutes until water is dissolved and rice is tender. Let stand 5 minutes.

BASIC RISOTTO

1 tbsp. olive oil
1 clove garlic, crushed or minced
3 green onions or 1 small onion, chopped
1¾ cups chicken broth
1 cup arborio or short grain rice
¼ cup grated parmesan cheese

In large microwave-safe casserole, combine oil, garlic and onion. Microwave on high power 2 minutes until tender.

Add broth and rice. Cover loosely. Microwave on high power 6 to 7 minutes until it boils. Stir. Cook, covered, on medium (50 percent) power 15 to 20 minutes until almost all liquid is absorbed.

Stir in cheese. Let stand 5 minutes.

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SEAFOOD SAFETY

Consumers start in keeping seafood safe to eat. The most important factors in safe handling of seafood at home are cleanliness, temperature and time.

Keep hands, countertops and utensils clean and always wash with plenty of warm, soapy water between uses of any utensil, pan or plate.

Never let raw seafood come in contact with cooked seafood or other raw or cooked foods.

Be aware of temperatures in the refrigerator (below 40° is safe), freezer (optimum is no more than 0°) and oven during cooking, in addition to how long products are unrefrigerated (a total of two hours combined for preparing and storing).

Recipe

POACHED FISH

1½ lb. salmon or any other variety of fillets or steaks
2 cups water (part wine, if desired)
¼ cup lemon juice
1 small onion, sliced
2 sprigs parsley
6 peppercorns
Lemon wedges

In skillet or saucepan, bring water, lemon juice, onion, parsley and peppercorn to boil. Reduce heat.

Add fish. Simmer, covered, 8 to 10 minutes until fish looks opaque and begins to flake. Drain.

Serve hot or cold with lemon wedges.

Makes 4 servings.

Microwave directions: In 2-quart microwave-safe dish, combine all ingredients except fish. Microwave, covered, on high power 8 minutes. Add fish. Microwave, covered, on high power 10 minutes. Let stand 5 minutes. Drain.

Serve plain or with sauce or salsa; add to salad, soup, sandwich or casserole.

Blue Ribbon Cook

Fish wins the swim with pasta favorites

Jane Sparling, Crystal City, is winner of this week's recipe contest for Elegant Seafood Pasta. The prize is dinner certificates from the Pasta House Co.

This is an all-purpose recipe to make with a favorite pasta, seafood by the season or special and vegetables. It can be sauced with prepared white or red sauce.

Recipes for the 6-Ingredient Recipe Contest will be accepted through March. A winner will be rewarded each Wednesday during March, so readers of Today's Food have an opportunity to win a bonus five times during the month.

Ease reigns supreme in this contest. Any type of recipe for use morning, noon or night is welcome. The goal is that it be an easy-to-make food, rather than a production, with no more than six ingredients.

A single household can send a single recipe by March 31 to: 6-Ingredient Recipe Contest, Suburban Journals, 1714 Deer Tracks Trail, St. Louis, Mo. 63131.

As usual, if there is a history to the recipe, it will be considered part of the entry.

Along with taste and eye appeal, it will form the basis for selecting winners.

Originality will be considered, although the recipe need not be original. If possible, name the recipe's source.

Include the name of the *Journal* you receive.

Winners are notified by mail. Duplicate entries will be considered on the basis of earlier entry or best compliance with the rules.

Contest winners may enter again six months after the prize-winning publication date.

ELEGANT SEAFOOD PASTA

16 oz. uncooked mostaccioli or other pasta
1 lb. scallops; shrimp, peeled and deveined, or bite-size cubes of swordfish, salmon or orange roughy
2 cups fresh broccoli florets
1 cup frozen peas
3 tbsp. chopped red bell pepper
3 tbsp. chopped green bell pepper
1 jar (about 26 oz.) alfredo sauce with mushrooms or red pasta sauce with onion and garlic

Cook pasta al dente, stirring often, according to package directions. Drain part of water.

Stir in seafood, broccoli, peas and peppers. Cook shellfish 2 to 3 minutes until they change color; whitefish may take a few minutes longer. Do not overcook. Drain well.

Return mixture to original pan. Stir in sauce gently but thoroughly.

Serve with parmesan cheese, salad and garlic bread.

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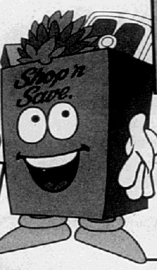

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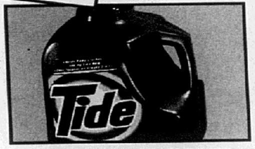

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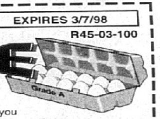

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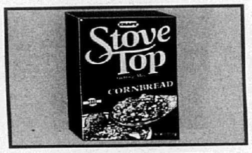

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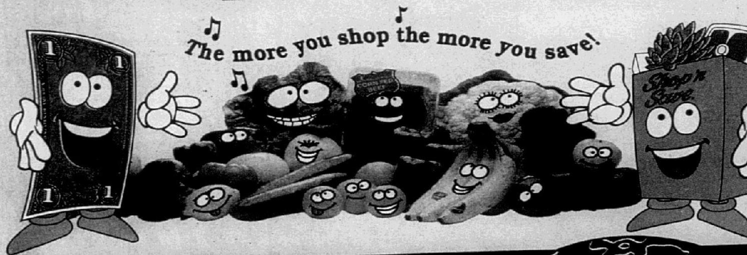
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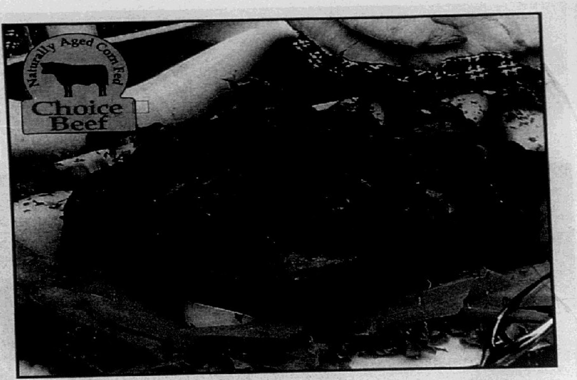

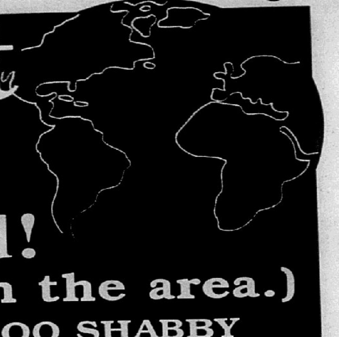

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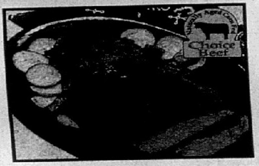

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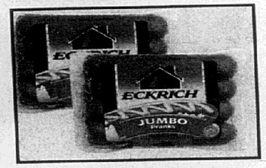

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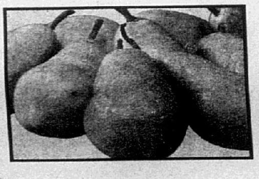

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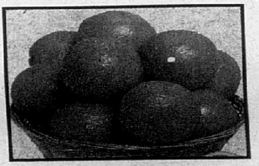

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AUTOMOTIVE

Saturn SC1 coupe has quieter engine, softer ride

By Tom Strongman

While Saturn waits for the development of next year's mid-size sedan, it continues to refine the current product. Changes to its coupe, sedan and station wagon for 1998 range from reduced-force air bags to quieter engines, new colors and redesigned optional alloy wheels.

Saturn engineers made several structural improvements to the engine block and transmission case to reduce noise and vibration as well as to enhance durability. These changes are impressive. I noticed them after only a few miles behind the wheel of a light gold SC1 coupe from the company's press fleet. Extraneous mechanical noise has been muted, and now the pleasant exhaust note is the main thing you hear.

The 1.9-liter, single-overhead-cam (SOHC), four-cylinder engine always has felt robust, even though output is listed as 100 horsepower. Key to its responsiveness is the fact it produces maximum torque at 2,400 rpm. Torque is the force that turns the wheels, and when the maximum is produced at low engine speeds, it makes the engine feel bigger than it actually is.

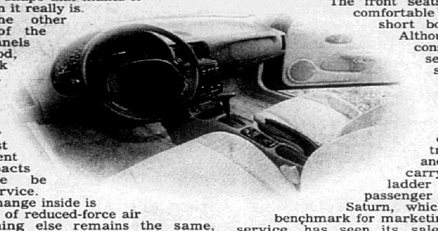
An engine tuned this way is the perfect mate to an automatic transmission, and the one in the Saturn is good. Not only are its shifts imperceptible, but it uses "fuzzy logic" to calculate when to refrain from shifting, such as when you are coasting down a hill or slowing for a turn. Relative to the five-speed manual, the automatic takes one second longer to get to 60 mph and uses fractionally more gasoline. But it is so much better in city driving it will be the choice of most buyers.

If you want livelier performance, the up-level SC2 coupe has a twin-cam version of the same engine. It produces 124 horsepower, although its maximum torque comes at 4,800 rpm, which means it has to be revved harder.

While the suspension has been tweaked this year for a softer ride, the SC1 still has a sporty character. It sits solidly on the road and doesn't lean excessively in turns. Anti-lock brakes and traction control are worth the extra $895 to keep the wheels in solid contact with the pavement during all kinds of weather.

The coupe was completely restyled last year, and it still looks fresh. Built on the same 102.4-inch wheelbase as the other two models, its low nose and high tail give it a pronounced wedge shape that makes it look longer than it really is.

As with the other Saturns, all of the coupe's body panels except the hood, roof and trunk lid are plastic, and they are bolted to a steel skeleton. The recyclable plastic body panels are rust proof, do not dent in minor impacts and can be be removed for service.



The major change inside is the installation of reduced-force air bags. Everything else remains the same, including large, round gauges housed in a hood behind the steering wheel. These instruments are excellent because they look expensive and are easy to read at a glance.

Saturn's instrument panel is a mixture of soft and hard surfaces. The top surface has a soft, inviting texture that looks like leather, but the pod that holds the radio and heater controls has a hard, plastic finish that doesn't measure up to the rest of the dash. The radio and heater are crowded into a fairly small space, and that dictates smaller knobs and sliding levers which are not as easy to use as large, round knobs.

The console has a removable ashtray and multiple cup holders, as well as switches for the power windows and the right-hand outside mirror. I would prefer the power window switches be mounted on the doors instead of on the console.

The front seats are generally comfortable but have fairly short bottom cushions. Although the coupe is considered a four-seater, the back seat, divided by a small console with dual cup holders, is pretty small. It folds down to expand the trunk's space, and I was able to carry a 6-foot step ladder by moving the passenger seat forward.

Saturn, which established a benchmark for marketing and customer service, has seen its sales soften lately because it does not have a larger car. Future plans should help fix that problem.

The base price of our test car was $13,895, including freight. Options included power locks, power windows, air conditioning, cruise control, ride-side power mirror, AM/FM stereo cassette, alloy wheels, floor mats, anti-lock brakes and traction control.

The sticker price was $17,290.

The basic warranty is for three years or 36,000 miles.

Point: Saturn's coupe looks slick, has dent-resistant plastic body panels and gets a smoother, quieter engine for 1998.

Counterpoint: Power window controls would be easier to reach on the door panels, and the texture of the center dash pod doesn't match the rest of the interior.

POINTS & PLUGS

By Rick Stoff

There could be more plastic coming to a car window near you.

Several auto glass manufacturers and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration are studying side windows, including adding a layer of plastic as a means of preventing crash injuries.

It is thought plastic-glazed windows could help prevent some of the 9,000 traffic fatalities that occur each year when auto occupants are thrown out of windows. The plastic content also might reduce lacerations caused by glass shards.

The government is conducting studies to determine whether the new windows could cause greater head injuries due to increased stiffness.

More than half of drivers interviewed in a recent poll by Readers Digest magazine (57 percent, to be exact) said they have been "annoyed, baited, attacked or hurt by an aggressive driver in the past six months."

Nearly three-fourths of drivers (74 percent) think aggressive driving has increased in the past year, and 69 percent think there should be stronger penalties against aggressive driving. When asked if police are doing enough to stop aggressive driving, 49 percent answered yes and 41 percent said no.

Cars accounted for 55 percent of the new vehicles sold in America last year, down from 61 percent in 1993.

The Chevrolet Corvette and Mercedes-Benz ML320 sport-utility vehicle were voted the car and truck of the year by 48 automotive journalists attending the Detroit International Auto Show. The new Volkswagen Beetle was named best in show.

No such balloting was conducted by local auto journalists at the St. Louis International Auto Show, since we were not there at the same time. If we were, the whole group could have met in the Beetle. And invited guests.

Keeping your car's life history in writing could be valuable when you sell the vehicle or make emergency repairs out of town, says the Car Care Council.

Having notes on past repairs could help mechanics who may be called upon to diagnose a problem away from home, according to the council. And a good maintenance record can significantly boost the vehicle's value at sale time. A well-maintained vehicle can be worth two or three times as much as one that's been abused, and good records verify the loving care you have given it.

The 1998 Concours d'Elegance, an Easter tradition in the St. Louis area, will be April 12 on the Muny lot in Forest Park. The concours is open to vehicles ranging from ancient history to the 1973 model year, for judging or display only. For registration information, call the Horseless Carriage Club of Missouri at (314) 928-9120 or (314) 991-4664.

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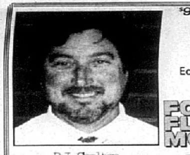

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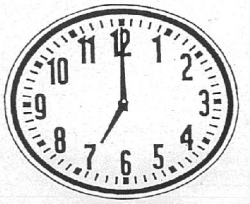

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Community college jobs offer opportunities

By Steve Bryan

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Evann Richards works with Forest Park Community College student Sarah Eldridge on a design.

To make extra money, some people might "moonlight" at a second job in the evenings and on weekends.

Although they may restock supermarket shelves or run a cash register to earn that extra paycheck, not many people think about working as a teacher in their spare time.

"A lot of people don't realize that the community colleges draw from the working world for their instructors," said Evann Richards, associate professor of graphic communications at the St. Louis Community College at Forest Park.

People attend community college for various reasons. Some enroll in a two-year program, take traditional courses in math and English and then transfer those credits to a four-year school.

Others enroll in vocational programs designed to help them find a job in a certain field or to make themselves more valuable to their current employer.

Instructors in these vocational programs have the option of using their work experience in place of a master's degree in education.

Fire fighters, computer programmers and funeral directors, can, for example, offer valuable insights and on-the-job experiences to their students that are not found in books.

"To do this, I think you have to be very organized," Richards said. "There's lots of paperwork, and you need to be prepared to handle the schedules and the details."

"You have to like people. You have to be patient. You have to have a passion for what you're teaching. We get a wide range of students, from those who barely got out of high school to people with doctorates," she said.

People who choose to become full-time instructors do need vocational certification, however. That means taking required classes in the principles of teaching and courses to help them organize their classroom materials.

While working toward this permanent certification, a full-time instructor receives a two-year temporary certification that can be renewed up to three times.

Permanent certifications are renewed every five years. Instructors in this state need to attend the Missouri Vocational Conference three out of five years and do some current work in their field to renew.

Before she became a full-time vocational instructor, Richards worked for various art studios and advertising agencies and then ran her own agency for 10 years.

"When I got out of school, I worked for a Louis Mainieri," Richards said. "He let me handle projects completely on my own. I got to work on things that people in other agencies would never have let me do."

"These opportunities gave me the equivalent of a master's degree. I felt I owed him for what he did and he said to just pass it on," she said.

Employment tips for older workers

By Steve Bryan

After spending several decades working and saving, many people start thinking about dream vacations, new hobbies or just spending some quality time on the sofa when they approach retirement age.

Thanks to corporate downsizing and other cost-cutting measures, however, some older employees find themselves out on the street long before they originally plan to retire.

Other people who stopped working years ago to marry and raise children ran into financial problems when the breadwinner of the family passed away before retirement.

Older individuals in any of these situations who need to or want to work do have employment options, however.

"I try to find jobs for people in their 70's," said Karen Bono, senior employment coordinator for the Mid-East Area Agency on Aging. "I have one lady in her 80's who wants to work."

To find work, older job seekers may need to reacquaint themselves with the job search process, which includes cover letters, resumes and follow-up phone calls.

"It's really best not to use a chronological resume," Bono said. "Use one that highlights the number of years of experience and not the actual calendar years worked."

Years of experience doesn't necessarily mean experience on the job, however. Many "life experiences" translate well onto a resume.

"Just because you didn't get paid for it doesn't mean you don't have experience," Bono said. "Stay-at-home moms have done a lot of things such as volunteer work that can be described as a skill."

"If you were a treasurer of the Junior League, you handled a lot of funds. This is a skill that can be transferred to a small business," she said.

Employers normally interview only those applicants who show the right qualifications on their resumes.

For older workers, however, some sections of a resume could actually work against them.

"If you have only a high school diploma or only graduated from the eighth grade, don't put an education section on the resume," Bono said. "That's a negative."

Like all other applicants, the older job seeker should prepare for an interview. They should do some research at the library about the company and think of questions that the interviewer might ask.

"I have a handout of the 10 most commonly asked questions," Bono said. "If they say "Tell me about yourself,' they want to know what you can do for them. Relate your life experiences to the job you're applying for."

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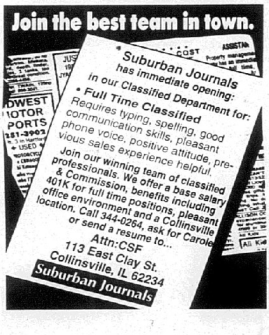

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Happy SWF, 5'7", wants to share her smile! Blonde, 125 lbs, 40s, n/s, financially secure, loves sports, travel, outdoors, kids, romance. ☎16301

Harley-Davidson DWF, 38, ISO financially secure, Harley-Davidson DWM, 40-47, nonsmoker, social drinker. Must love kids, camping and affection; for possible commitment. ☎16473

Hello! SWF, 49, 5'3", 118 lbs, ISO energetic, honest, sincere S/DWM, 49-52, for long-term relationship. Social drinker, smoker ok. ☎16522

How about a cruise? Very attractive F, 5' nothing, blonde/hazel, good-natured, fun, loves to cruise, seeks a Gentleman with similar qualities. ☎16329

I'm waiting to exhale. Attractive DWF, 36, wants attractive S/DBM, 30-38, who can love completely and receive love abundantly. ☎16447

Intelligent SBF, 50, seeks devoted, intelligent, stable Man, 50-70, to share love and life. ☎16206

Intelligent, creative, spunky DWCF, 38, seeks nice Guy for friendship, maybe more. Must love children, life, adventure, God. ☎16501

Interesting young Female seeks Christian young Man, 22-30, who's outgoing, mature, responsible and family-oriented. Looking for long-term relationship. ☎16363

ISO hairy, wild and crazy guy, n/s, no dependents, good sense of humor. I'm 45, with no kids. ☎16455

Italian F, 42, green-eyed redhead, seeks M, 50s, hard worker, good personality, nondrinker, for shows and homemade meals. ☎16234

Lady, young 50s, with contagious smile, has lots of TLC reserved for the right Gentleman. ☎16269

Lonely princess seeks prince to love. Looking for a prince of a Man to love and to love me. ☎16477

Mature, full-figured SBF, 46, seeks SBM, 38-48, for fun and relaxation. ☎16513

New beginnings. Attractive WWWF, Illinois, 58, brunette, enjoys dancing, music, casinos. ISO WM, 50-65, to share mutual interests. ☎16462

North County. Pretty Italian DWF, late 40s, 5'2", 140 lbs, seeks a genuine nice Guy, 40-60, with husky build, for dating. ☎16250

Only reply if you're honest and like to laugh. WWF, 50s, 5'6", ISO WW/DWM, 5'10"+, for possible serious relationship. ☎16395

Outgoing DWF, 42, 5'6", blonde/blue, loves outdoors, dancing, cooking and romantic evenings. ISO DWM, 35-50, with same interests. ☎16360

Petite SBF, 21, who enjoys comedy shows, romantic dinners, movies, a good conversation. ISO honest, attractive, down-to-earth BM, 21-28, for friendship. ☎16209

Petite, brunette DWF, 43, ISO S/DWM, college-degreed, financially secure Gentleman, for friendship, possible relationship. St. Louis or St. Charles county. ☎16210

Playful, happy, 5'4", green-eyed, full-figured WWWF, 42, *ISO tall, affectionate, easygoing WM, 35+. St. Peter's area.* ☎16289

Pretty DWF, 32, dark/blue, olive complexion, smoker, height/weight proportionate, loves reading, conversation. ISO handsome Prince Charming, 35-50, dark/dark. ☎16262

Pretty, slim, fun personality, WWWF, 60s, loves life, traveling, walking dogs, playing cards, board games, dining. Seeks real Gentleman, honest, reliable. ☎16479

Professional, conservative SBF, 47, petite, lover of music, sports, good conversation, sound spiritual life, seeks secure, similar BM, 40-50, for dating. ☎16503

Romantic DWF, 46, 5'4", nonsmoker, nondrinker, professional, sense of humor, ISO emotionally, financially secure S/DM, 5'10"+, 42-52, nonsmoker, for relationship. ☎16331

Saint Charles SWF, 30, new to area. ISO SM, 30-45, who likes to be outdoors. ☎16187

Seeking strong WM, 40+, with gentle spirit to soothe my soul and light up my life. Attractive, nonsmoking DWF, 52. ☎16517

Slender, attractive DWF, 39, nonsmoker, no children, hidden disability, ISO SWM, 35-41, nonsmoker, tall, fit, secure, unencumbered. For monogamous relationship. ☎16459

Softhearted, full-figured DWF, 38, likes outdoors, dining out, quiet evenings at home. ISO goodhearted Man for relationship. ☎16296

Spontaneous, outgoing SWF, 39, attractive, nonsmoker, enjoys golf, piano and skiing. Seeks similar WM, 35-45. Illinois resident. ☎16307

SWCF, 55, n/s, social drinker, attractive, weight and height proportionate, enjoys dining out, movies, dancing. Seeks handsome S/DWM, 55-60. ☎16478

SWF, 19, blonde/blue, enjoys movies, dancing. ISO SWM, 19-24, with sense of humor. For friendship, possible relationship. ☎16311

SWF, 24, full-figured, one child, ISO SWM, 24-30, n/s, social drinker, who likes children, for serious replies only. ☎16302

SWF, 26, 5'1", 112 lbs, blonde/hazel, with two children, enjoys drag racing, Harleys, outdoors. ISO S/DWM, 23-35, similar interests. ☎16399

SWF, 26, ISO SWM, 25-32, n/drugs, social drinker, enjoys dining out, movies, hockey games, dogs. Seeks M who has similar interests. ☎16423

SWF, 27, mother of one; 5'2", looking for a SWM, 26-32, must like kids, romantic, financially secure, varied interests. ☎16190

SWF, 36, looking for intelligent, professional BM, 35+, for quiet evenings at home, movies and dining out. ☎16325

SWF, 38, enjoys dining out, movies, baseball, dogs. ISO SWM, 37-42, n/drugs, social drinker, with similar interests. ☎16424

SWF, 49, 5'4", 112 lbs, loves birds, music, laughter, seeks honest, open SWM, 45-58, for friendship, fun and possible relationship. ☎16446

SWF, 51, enjoys dining out, home cooking, conversation and companionship. Would like to meet Gentleman with similar interests. ☎16469

SWF, 68, likes horseback riding, fishing and the outdoors. Seeks SM, 60-68, with similar interests, for friendship. ☎16199

SWF, young 50, 5', 140 lbs, brown/blue, smoker, enjoys dining, dancing, quiet evenings at home. ISO SWM, 45-60, for lasting relationship. ☎16431

Tall, attractive, blonde DWF ISO degreed DWM, 46-54, 6'+, caring, honest, enjoys sports, outdoors, dancing and laughter. For companionship, possible relationship. ☎16474

This good-natured, nice-looking DWF is looking for a similar Gentleman, 50+, who enjoys travel, movies, dancing and excellent food. Call me. ☎16504

Warm, loving, attractive, tall redhead, young 55, n/s. ISO DWM, with time for serious relationship, full of laughter and TLC. ☎16371

Wild Woman seeker. SF, attending Central, 5'11", blonde/blue, enjoys sports, partying, road trips, seeks tall, athletic, nice-looking M, 18-25, nice build, for fun. ☎16346

Wild, voluptuous SWF, 23, ISO SM, 21-30, piercings and tattoos a plus. Ready for fun, romance and possible relationship. ☎16362

WWCF, 48, seeks healthy, genuine, spirit-filled SCM, 48-55, n/s, n/d, for friendship. Serious replies only. ☎16251

WWWCF, 47, 5'3", incurable romantic, enjoys movies, dining out, FOX theater, traveling, sporting events, cuddling. ISO M, 45-58, with similar interests. ☎16205

WWWCF, petite, blonde, mid-50s, enjoys dancing, bowling, walks, fishing, travel, cards, friends. Smoker, nondrinker. ISO WCM, 50-65, weight proportionate. Millstadt, IL. ☎16466

WWWF, 60s, seeks interesting Gentleman. Enjoys dancing, travel, dining out and all the other good things life has to offer. ☎16386

WWWF, very, very active. ISO nice Man, 50-55. I smoke, social drinker, 5'6", 132 lbs, brown eyes, natural blonde hair, no dye. I need loving, call me. ☎16361

Young-at-heart, 37-year-old DWF, mother of two, seeks a reasonably intelligent Guy, employed, with sense of himself and what he wants. ☎16495

Young-looking 52-year-old blonde, outgoing, witty, 5'5", enjoys ethnic foods, theater, travel. Seeks stable SWM, 45-60, high morals, 5'10"+, possible long-term relationship. ☎16485

Youthful, attractive, petite DWF, enjoys music, dancing, cooking, travel, outdoors, water, beaches. ISO useful, similar 50+ Gentleman, fiancially and emotionally secure. ☎16364

Ads from Men

"Harley Davidson Man". SWM, 35, 5'11", 175 lbs, long blonde hair, beard, mustache, hazel eyes, attractive, physically fit. ☎16263

18-year-old SWM, 6', ISO SWF, caring, loves sports, for possible relationship. ☎16237

19-year-old SWM, 5'5", blonde/green, enjoys cars and the outdoors. Seeks SWF for relationship. ☎16352

26-year-old SWM, knight in dented, somewhat shiny armor, is seeking out maiden to assist in raising of my little princess. ☎16489

27-year-old DWM, 6'2", 240 lbs, two children, ISO SWF, 21-31, must like children, romance, walks, music. No head games, please. ☎16282

32-year-old DWM, 5'6", 140 lbs, loves outdoors, camping, fishing, auto racing. ISO petite SWF, 27-36, for possible relationship. ☎16267

34-year-old Single parent of two. Attractive DWM, very honest, caring, enjoys home life, seeks attractive, slender, honest, caring F. Kids ok. ☎16482

36-year-old Single dad, nonsmoker, social drinker, honest, hardworking, attractive, fun to be with, seeks devoted Female, 25-37, possible relationship, dating first. ☎16370

38-year-old SWM with the most adorable and beautiful 3-year-old girl, seeks family-oriented Woman, 27-40, with sense of humor. ☎16390

39-year-old DWM, likes camping, movies, music, kids, evenings at home. Seeks F, 24-44, who enjoys the same. Friendship, possible long-term relationship. ☎16317

Have you imagined meeting that special someone? We can tell you all about them.

Meet Your Match

40-year-old DWM, degreed, secure, fit, Gentleman, enjoys fun nights out, quiet evenings, dinners, movies, togetherness, conversation. ISO special Woman, 30-42. ☎16247

54-year-old professional DWM, 6'3", 205 lbs, ISO slender SWF. Enjoys working out, fireplaces, wine country, dining, casinos, conversation. Looking for friendship. ☎16252

A GQ Man. SWM, 33, 6', 175 lbs, professional, confident, good-looking, fashionable, articulate, muscular, nonsmoking, no dependents, seeks pretty, toned SWF, 27-37. ☎16375

Absolutely honest SWM, 46, 5'9", 165 lbs, smoker, great smile/personality, bald, ISO slender Lady, 37-47, for best friend/lover and laughter. ☎16342

Accepting applications for SBF, 22-30. All applicants will be reviewed. ☎16480

Active DWM, 49, fit. ISO D/WWWF, petite, 44-50, n/s, family-oriented, to share and enjoy life. Serious only. St. Charles. ☎16448

Adventurous, ministry-minded, handsome, spirit-filled DWCM, excellent spiritual/physical condition. Seeks attractive, spirit-filled S/DWF, secure, nonsmoker, 35-45, slender, fit, under 5'5". ☎16179

Affectionate DWM, 40s, middle class, down-to-earth Guy, looking to form a friendship first. I love kids. Southwest County. ☎16337

Affectionate, handsome, romantic, unencumbered DWM, young 44, professional, homeowner, seeks slender, pretty S/DWF, 34-44, dancing, dining, travel, friendship, commitment. ☎16316

Affectionate, kind, caring DWM, young 51, nonsmoker, likes just about everything. ISO S/DF, 38-50, weight proportionate. Let's let it happen! ☎16439

Affectionate, caring DWM, 58, average job, enjoys home life, dining out occasionally. Dislikes crowds. Seeks SF, age open, Saint Louis area. ☎16452

Amusing, fun Guy. DWM, young 57, healthy, affectionate, nice-looking, unencumbered, varied interests, n/s, seeks nonsmoking, humorous, brainy, attractive, caring S/DWF, 42-54, long-term relationship. ☎16249

Anything but boring. SWM, 6', 180 lbs, 39, sense of humor, loves anything outdoors, country music, home, family. Seeking long-term relationship. ☎16290

Are you curious, mature, enthusiastic, mischievous? Me too. DWM, 47, 6', 185 lbs, looking for a special Lady, 35-50. ☎16218

Aries DWM, n/s, entrepreneur, seeks slender, attractive Aries S/DWF, 40-53, enjoys beaches, boating, outdoors, convertibles, fireside evenings and quiet times. ☎16204

Athletic DWM, 47, 5'9", 165 lbs, nonsmoker, financially secure, enjoys outdoors, boating, dining out, antiques, movies. Seeks relationship with DWF, 30-46, intelligent, athletic, honest, compassionate, sense of humor. ☎16430

Attractive WF, trim, seeking that special person: I'm DWM, 45, handsome, 5'10", athletic build, financially secure, witty, very romantic. Grant Farm. ☎16260

Attractive, intelligent, great dad, 35, sleepless in St. Charles County, tall, professional, seeks true love and commitment in a wonderful relationship. ☎16292

Attractive DWM, 30, 5'11", 170 lbs, blue eyes, likes all types of outdoor activities, seeks attractive, slender S/DWF, for friendship, possible relationship. ☎16341

Attractive DWM, 52, tall, slender, nonsmoker, nondrinker, secure, enjoys movies, walking, biking, fireplaces, volleyball, outdoors, honesty, smiles. Seeking WF, 40-50. ☎16310

Attractive SWM, 35, 6'2", 185 lbs, dark/green, athletic, enjoys outdoors. ISO attractive, slender S/DWF for dating and friendship. ☎16335

Attractive, outgoing DWM, 44, 6'3", 220 lbs, sense of humor, seeks attractive, slender S/DWF, 35-47, for dating, possible relationship. ☎16253

Attractive SWM, 29, 6', 160 lbs, n/s, medical student, good sense of humor, ISO nonsmoking SWF, 25-35, slender, good-looking professional. ☎16327

Attractive DWM, 31, 5'9", 180 lbs, enjoys outdoors, movies, dining out, ISO attractive SWF for long-term relationship. ☎16217

Attractive, professional DWM, 35, 5'7", 155 lbs, romantic, easygoing, friendly, seeks attractive, successful, nonsmoking, professional S/DWF, 25-34. Possible long-term relationship. ☎16398

Attractive Valentine. DWM, 48, 6', 170 lbs, light smoker, drinker, looking for trim Lady, 40-50, 5'+, for complete, loving relationship. ☎16379

Attractive SWM, 29, 6', 160 lbs, n/s, medical student, good sense of humor, ISO n/s SWF, 25-35, slender, good-looking professional. ☎16526

Attractive SM, 39, 6', 195 lbs, physically fit, dark/dark, new to St. Louis. Seeking SF to show me around town. ☎16530

Believes in togetherness. DWM, 42, 6'1", enjoys life, laughter, romance, ISO S/DWF, who enjoys same, for friendship, or possible relationship. ☎16315

Bighearted SWM, 23, 6'3", with fun personality, ISO petite SWF with same qualities, 21-27, for fun and dating. ☎16336

Blue-eyed SWM, 46, French extraction, 6'3", 220 lbs, never been arrested, childless, perfect teeth, college-degreed, seeks slender or full-figured SWF. ☎16286

Caring DWCM, 44, 5'10", 180 lbs, nonsmoker, nondrinker, gray/blue, enjoys outdoors, life and travel. ISO Christian Lady, weight proportionate, 35-45. ☎16276

Caring DWM, 28, 160 lbs, enjoys going to drag races, horseback riding, ISO S/DWF, 26-31, similar interests, for possible relationship. ☎16506

Caring, considerate SBM, 40, ISO SBF, 32-45, for friendship, possible relationship. ☎16494

Caring, outgoing, friendly SWM, 25, enjoys candlelight dinners and dancing. Seeks SWF, 19-26, for dating and possible relationship. ☎16343

Charismatic SWCM, 40s, 5'11", professional, proportionate, super values, n/s, athletic, diversified interests. ISO positive SW Lady, 35-50. Webster area. ☎16192

Charismatic Italian. Handsome DWCM, 50s, excellent physical/spiritual condition, nonsmoker, ISO pretty S/DWCF, 38-48, under 5'5", slender. Affection, relationship. ☎16436

Check this out! Professional, 6'1", 165, young-looking 39, nonsmoker, nondrinker, humorous, handsome, romantic, active, enjoys biking, movies; ISO attractive, fit F, 30-45. Kids ok. ☎16216

Christian WM, 43, loves home, family, seeks that special Lady, 25-40, to share my life. ☎16270

Considerate, passionate SWM, 32, short Guy, seeks short, affectionate S/DWF, 25-40, for happy, honest relationship with lots of TLC. ☎16304

Crazy, fun-loving, yet sincere, honest, responsible SWM, 32, successful business owner, ISO WF, never-married, under 32, n/s. ☎16305

Dancer needed. DWM, 58, loves to jitterbug. ISO WF, for 50's style Valentine's dance Valentine's night. ☎16239

Dark eyes and personality plus lands this attractively devilish White Gentleman, in the throes of vocally appreciative, pretty Ladies. ☎16354

DBM, 36, nice-looking, 5'8", 170 lbs, very humorous and romantic, ISO S/DF, medium build and outspoken. Race/age unimportant. ☎16300

Desperately seeking Cinderella, 21-35, active, spontaneous, height/weight proportionate. Are you her? DWM, 39, 6'1", 170 lbs, father, brown/blue. ☎16323

DM, 52, South County, likes music, books, quiet times; seeks the same. ☎16366

DWCM, 52, red/blue, 6'4", 210 lbs, Lutheran, professional, educated, honest, humorous, like sports, dance. Imperial/Jackson COunty, ISO of same. ☎16499

DWCM, n/s, n/d, 45, ISO simple, down-to-earth DWCF. To know more, just answer! ☎16441

DWF who enjoys traveling to other parts of US, playing golf, hiking, various other interests, sought by DWM, 43, 6', 180 lbs. ☎16203

DWM, 26, father of two, likes sports, seeks S/DWF, 24-33, for casual dating. ☎16225

DWM, 31, family-oriented, nonsmoker, social drinker, enjoys dining out, walks, quiet evenings. ISO S/DWF, 25-36, similar interests, possible long-term relationship. ☎16418

DWM, 34, 5'5", ISO S/DWF, 25-35, must be loyal, honest and loving, must like kids; serious inquiries only. ☎16283

DWM, 38, 5'6", 150 lbs, smoker, social drinker, honest, sincere, loves animals. ISO attractive, blonde-haired, blue-eyed WF, 32-38, friendship and dating. ☎16394

DWM, 38, nonsmoker, nondrinker, likes movies, dining out, outdoors, ISO same in DWF, 36-42, medium build, for dating. ☎16221

DWM, 41, 5'9", 150 lbs, smoker and social drinker, ISO S/DWF, 30-51. Enjoys country, rock, dancing, movies. Jefferson County area. ☎16383

DWM, 42, looking for Miss Right, looks unimportant, 30-45, children and smoker ok. Serious only need apply. ☎16454

DWM, 42, mornings and afternoons free, I work nights. ISO S/DWF for daytime dating, lunch, golf, etc. ☎16189

DWM, 43, 5'11", 155 lbs, attractive, professional, Crestwood area, with children, seeks slender, attractive S/DWF, for dating or long-term relationship. ☎16202

DWM, 43, 6'1", 200+ lbs, professional, brown hair, hazel eyes, smoker, social drinker, seeks S/DWF, 30-50, to go out on dates. ☎16369

DWM, 44, 5'9", 190 lbs, witty with sense of humor, sports spectator, seeks charming Black Lady, without gold teeth. ☎16340

DWM, 44, good-looking, good sense of humor, enjoys many activities, seeks S/DWF, 35-45, for friendship first. Kids ok. ☎16487

DWM, 45, 5'10", 175 lbs, brown/hazel, likes kids, movies and music. ISO SWF, 35-45, attractive and professional, with similar interests. ☎16422

DWM, 47, 6'1", 230 lbs, young-at-heart, fun-loving, seeks Lady in law enforcement (or similar field), 35-45, height/weight proportionate, for fun. ☎16222

DWM, 48, no dependents, 5'7", 180 lbs, attractive, athletic, articulate, financially secure, n/s, ISO S/DWF, 40-49, no dependents. ☎16345

DWM, 49, n/s, ISO D/WWWF, 45-50, n/s, who's fit, enjoys travel, movies, theater and most outdoor activities. ☎16248

DWM, 50, tall, slender, 6', 165 lbs, brown/brown, ISO sincere WF, same age group. ☎16443

DWM, 53, 5'8", 170 lbs, smoker, nondrinker, likes dancing, dining out, movies. ISO proportionate DWF, with similar interests, possible relationship. ☎16512

DWM, 55, social drinker, smoker, 6', 180 lbs, likes movies, dining out. ISO SWF, slender, attractive, professional, 45-55, enjoys having fun. ☎16227

DWM, 56, 5'10", 165 lbs, affectionate, n/s, South County, enjoys fishing, camping, boating, floating, scuba diving, bicycle riding, volleyball, long walks and the Botanical gardens. ISO DWF, 44-59, height/weight proportionate, n/s, with similar interests. ☎16407

Easygoing, secure SWM, 40, nice-looking, owns home in woods, Jefferson County, seeks 30-40-ish S/DWF, proportionate, for possible long-term relationship. ☎16214

Employed SBM, 36, enjoys the outdoors, dinner, movies and good conversation. ISO slim, employed SWF, 30-40. Please call. ☎16400

Energetic, attractive SBM, 23, 5'6", hardworking, athletic, smoker, likes playing sports, poetry, music. ISO SBF, 18-30, attractive, nice personality. ☎16529

Exceptional Christian DWM, medium build, nonsmoker, romantic, honest, Promise Keeper, loves outdoors, family, Lord. Seeks attractive, slim, dedicated CF, 30-50. ☎16284

Financially secure, professional WWWM, 5'8", n/s, social drinker, who likes sports, seeks SW Lady, 45-55, for serious relationship. ☎16213

Financially stable Gentleman, 45, ex-military officer with an open heart, seeks F for dating or possible relationship. ☎16460

Firefighting SWM, 18, enjoys movies, fishing and music. Seeks SWF with same interests, 18-20, petite, n/s, for friendship, possible relationship. ☎16278

Fun-loving DWM, 56, but young-at-heart and very affectionate, ISO attractive SWF, 45-55, enjoys life and being pampered. ☎16219

Fun-loving SWM, 53, 5'9", 210 lbs, ISO S/DWF, 45-58, height and weight proportionate, for fun times. St. Charles area. ☎16183

Fun-loving, attractive SBM, 35, truck driver, 6'1", loves movies, walks, jogging, drives along the riverside. Seeking WF, 30-45. ☎16438

Gentleman in his 40s, financially secure, seeks young Lady, 40s, who likes dining out, dancing, movies. For possible long-term relationship. ☎16409

Gentleman, attractive, slim, 44, 6'4", ISO S/DWF, 38-46, loves horses, enjoys scuba, sports, camping, floating, candlelit dinners, country life. ☎16463

George Bailey seeks Mary Hatch. Romantic, honest DWCM, 33. Our wonderful life could start when you respond to this ad. ☎16279

Good-looking SWM, 40, athletic, honest, sincere, loves outdoors, sports, dining, movies. Seeks WF, 30-40, with same interests. ☎16457

Handsome DWM, n/s, 5'10", proportionate, professional, ISO attractive S/DWF, 40-55, varied activities, lasting relationship. St. Charles area only. ☎16382

Handsome SWM, 24, looking for open-minded SWF, 18-35, for long-term relationship. ☎16426

Handsome, hardworking DWM, 41, 6', 200 lbs, financially secure, family-oriented, enjoys bowling, fishing. ISO lovely, slender Woman, 30+, same interests. ☎16385

Handsome, clean-cut DWM, 30, 6', 170 lbs, blonde/hazel, ISO attractive, petite SWF, 25-35, with morals and values. ☎16405

Handsome, financially secure, romantic, caring, fit, professional DWM, 40, 6'1", 190 lbs, many interests, seeks slender, attractive, intelligent WF, 25-40, for romantic walks, candlelit dinners, country drives, great conversation. Children ok. ☎16467

Handsome, secure DWCM, 40, n/s, n/d, no children, enjoys working out, motorcycle riding. Seeks S/DCF, 28-38. ☎16471

Hardworking, self-employed DWCM, 56, medium build, 5'8", likes sports, dining out, quiet evenings, quality time with someone special. ISO SWF, 40-55, slender, attractive, sincere, caring and intelligent, with similar interests. Jefferson County. ☎16486

Hey-let's meet! DWM, 46, 5'7", 140 lbs, enjoys adventure, cooking, home improvements, outdoors. ISO SWF, 40-ish, cute, petite, for romance. ☎16333

Honest, semi-old-fashioned, with untraditional ideas, SWM, 29, seeks similar S/DWF, 25-35, likes outdoors, skiing, for friendship, long-term relationship. ☎16280

Hopeless romantic. DWM, 33, 5'6", medium build, ISO S/DWF, 26-34, looking to enjoy life and romantic evenings. ☎16444

Housebroken DWM, 43, 6', 180 lbs, faithful, frisky, does tricks, speaks. ISO pedigreed WF, 34-43, with sense of humor, for "walkies". ☎16456

Intelligent, outgoing SBM, 30, 5'6", muscular, n/s, n/d, seeks friendly SW/BF, no kids, n/d, smoker ok. St. Louis area. ☎16320

Italian DWM, 40s, 5'11", 180 lbs, nonsmoker, handsome, affectionate, romantic, ISO attractive S/DWF, physically fit, nonsmoker. Likes affection, sports, exercises. ☎16509

Kindhearted SBM, 35, 6', 190 lbs, likes romance, quiet evenings, kids, seeks SWF, 28-40, great sense of humor. Friendship, possible relationship. ☎16510

Loner seeking same in affectionate, caring SF, age open, for friendship, companionship. Down-to-earth DWM, 58, 5'8", 170 lbs. Will answer all. ☎16243

Love is in the air. DWM, 48, 5'9", 170 lbs, nonsmoker, nondrinker, seeks caring, sweet S/DWF, 40-55, for long-term relationship. ☎16274

Loves kids! Are you petite, do you have kids? This 6', 190 lbs Gentleman wants you. Call my box for more information. ☎16356

Loving, caring DWCM, Assembly of God churchgoer, 44, seeks devoted, honest WCF, 36-52, to share life and God's word. ☎16376

Mature, loving, sensitive DWM, 58, 5'10", 240 lbs, brown/brown. Come, share life with me, good times and bad. ☎16244

Mista playa hata. SWM, 20, likes wakeboarding, snowboarding, nightlife. Seeks nice, honest SWF, 18-20. ☎16344

Nice-looking SWM, 59, gray/blue, 175 lbs, nonsmoker, social drinker, likes movies, long drives, slow dancing, dining. Seeks attractive DWF, 48-59. ☎16272

Old-fashioned values. DWM, 40, blonde/blue, attractive, homeowner, Catholic, athletic, ISO attractive S/DWF, 37-43, attractive, faithful, honest. Please call. ☎16490

Open-minded SWM from Jefferson County, honest, dependable, loves sports and music, would like to meet SF, 21-50, for friendship, maybe more. ☎16410

Outgoing SWM, 41, 150 lbs, brown/hazel, good listener, caring, gentle, enjoys cooking, movies, knows how to treat you right. ISO SBF, 30-45. ☎16285

Policeman, DWM, 5'11", 170 lbs, Single parent, homeowner, ISO slender WF, 38+, for relationship. (MD) ☎16508

Recently Divorced, seeking Female, 30-40. Kids ok. I'm 38, need somebody to be with. ☎16334

Retired DWM, secure, active, athletic, 5'11", 180 lbs, n/s, n/d, enjoys varied interests. Seeks slender, active, outdoor Lady, 50-60, for monogamous relationship. ☎16350

Retired WWWM, 62, 6'4", 170 lbs, educated, enjoys quiet evenings and light travel. ISO WWW/DF, 55-65, possible relationship. St. Charles area. ☎16196

Romantic, affectionate, good-looking DWM, 40, long blonde/blue, mustache, 135 lbs, 5'9", likes animals, kids, concerts, travel; smoker, nondrinker. Jefferson County. ☎16417

Romantic, affectionate, handsome DWM, 51, 6', 180 lbs, brown/hazel, honest, sincere, faithful, seeks shapely S/DBF, 35-45, for romance, relationship. ☎16527

SBM seeks SBF, 44-48, who likes dressing up for dinner, for fun, friendship, nice, romantic evenings. Loves music, wrestling, football, fishing. ☎16297

SBM, 26, 5'10", 250 lbs, teddy bear type, looking for attractive, healthy, shapely, voluptuous Woman, 25+, for dating. Race open. ☎16408

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SWM, 31, 5'7", 185 lbs, blonde/blue, smoker, nondrinker, clean-cut, honest, ISO S/DWF, 27-40, slim, nondrinker, for friendship, possible relationship. ☎16347

SWM, 38, nonsmoker, social drinker, 5'10", 175 lbs, works evenings, seeks petite SWF, 28-38, for fun, friendship, possibly love. ☎16212

SWM, 45, 6', 200 lbs, seeks WF, over 30, for fun, friendship, possible relationship. ☎16220

SWM, 46, 5'7", 170 lbs, honest, humorous, financially secure, nonsmoker, nondrinker, likes music, dancing, kids, romance, outdoors, life. Possible relationship. ☎16404

SWM, 49, 5'10", 175 lbs, n/s, blonde/blue, varied interests, seeks SF, 35-50, n/s, intelligent, attractive and slim. ☎16531

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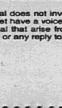

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MC#7 (GCJ) 3/4

TAKE NOTICE CERTIFICATE NO. 17-046764

To: EVERETT E LANDESS, STELLA V LANDESS, LINDA CLUBB, MADISON COUNTY SANITARY SEWER, ST ELIZABETH MEDICAL CENTER.

Persons in occupancy or actual possession of said property, unknown owners or parties interested in said lands or lots, and the County Clerk. A petition for Tax deed on the premises described below has been filed with the Circuit Clerk of MADISON County, Illinois as Case No. 98TX 30. On 6-30-98 AT 8:30 AM the petitioner will make application to such Court in said County for an Order for Tax Deed should the real estate not be redeemed. The property is located at 2005 SKEEN ST. MADISON, IL., the permanent index number is 17-2-20-30-09-101-033. The property was sold on 12-19-95 for delinquent real estate taxes for the year 1994. The period of redemption will expire on 6-26-98.
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To: LESTER D ANDREWS III, CHRISTINE FARRELL, CITY OF GRANITE CITY - TREASURER.

Persons in occupancy or actual possession of said property, unknown owners or parties interested in said lands or lots, and the County Clerk. A petition for Tax deed on the premises described below has been filed with the Circuit Clerk of MADISON County, Illinois as Case No. 98TX 30. On 6-30-98 AT 8:30 AM the petitioner will make application to such Court in said County for an Order for Tax Deed should the real estate not be redeemed. The property is located at 2025 LEE AVE. GRANITE CITY, IL., the permanent index number is 22-2-20-19-06-104-024.T00. The property was sold on 12-20-95 for delinquent real estate taxes for the year 1994. The period of redemption will expire on 6-26-98.
John W Scott, Petitioner

#14 (GC) 2/25, 3/4, 3/11

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To: AGOSTINO F CUPINI, PATRICIA C CUPINI, CENTRAL BANK - COLLINSVILLE.

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John W Scott, Petitioner

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TAKE NOTICE CERTIFICATE NO. 21-029723

To: HENRY ROBERT YOUNG, WILLIAM RAY YOUNG, THEORA C YOUNG.

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John W Scott, Petitioner

#9 (GC) 2/25, 3/4, 3/11

TAKE NOTICE CERTIFICATE NO. 17-029505

To: GARY W HENSON, VIRGINIA L HENSON, INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, ATTORNEY GENERAL OF USA, US ATTORNEY, HOUSEHOLD FINANCE CORP, GRANITE CITY STEEL & COMMUNITY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, BENEFICIAL MORTGAGE CO OF ILLINOIS, CT CORPORATE SYSTEMS.

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John W Scott, Petitioner

#5 (GC) 2/25, 3/4, 3/11

TAKE NOTICE CERTIFICATE NO. 22-036859

To: BRIAN CANANAUGH, CARL EARLS, MADISON COUNTY TREASURER, FIRST FINANCIAL BANK FORMERLY ILLINI FEDERAL S&L, CITY OF GRANITE CITY-TREASURER, ILLINOIS DEPT REVENUE, ILLINOIS ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Persons in occupancy or actual possession of said property, unknown owners or parties interested in said lands or lots, and the County Clerk. A petition for Tax deed on the premises described below has been filed with the Circuit Clerk of MADISON County, Illinois as Case No. 98TX 30. On 6-30-98 AT 8:30 AM the petitioner will make application to such Court in said County for an Order for Tax Deed should the real estate not be redeemed. The property is located at 3056 NAMEOKI DR, GRANITE CITY, the permanent index number is 22-2-20-07-15-401-001. The property was sold on 12-20-95 for delinquent real estate taxes for the year 1994. The period of redemption will expire on 6-26-98.
John W Scott, Petitioner

#10 (GC) 2/25, 3/4, 3/11

TAKE NOTICE CERTIFICATE NO. 22-085146

To: RONNIE W CASTILE, LINDA FAYE CASTILE, INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, ATTORNEY GENERAL OF USA, US ATTORNEY, IL DEPT REVENUE, IL ATTORNEY GENERAL, CITY OF GRANITE CITY TREASURER, MAGNA BANK OF ILLINOIS GRANITE CITY, DANIEL J. BOONE.

Persons in occupancy or actual possession of said property, unknown owners or parties interested in said lands or lots, and the County Clerk. A petition for Tax deed on the premises described below has been filed with the Circuit Clerk of MADISON County, Illinois as Case No. 98TX 30. On 6-30-98 AT 8:30 AM the petitioner will make application to such Court in said County for an Order for Tax Deed should the real estate not be redeemed. The property is located at 2800 MARSHALL AEN, GRANITE CITY, IL., the permanent index number is 22-2-20-17-11-207-015. The property was sold on 12-20-95 for delinquent real estate taxes for the year 1994. The period of redemption will expire on 6-26-98.
John W Scott, Petitioner

#11 (GC) 2/25, 3/4, 3/11

TAKE NOTICE CERTIFICATE NO. 17-052283

To: BOB L WILLIAMS, KATHERINE S WILLIAMS, B & E AUTO REPAIR

Persons in occupancy or actual possession of said property, unknown owners or parties interested in said lands or lots, and the County Clerk. A petition for Tax deed on the premises described below has been filed with the Circuit Clerk of MADISON County, Illinois as Case No. 98TX 30. On 6-30-98 AT 8:30 AM the petitioner will make application to such Court in said County for an Order for Tax Deed should the real estate not be redeemed. The property is located at 3268 CANTEEN AVE, GRANITE CITY, IL., the permanent index number is 17-2-20-34-03-301-020. The property was sold on 12-19-95 for delinquent real estate taxes for the year 1994. The period of redemption will expire on 6-26-98.
John W Scott, Petitioner

#7 (GC) 2/25, 3/4, 3/11

TAKE NOTICE CERTIFICATE NO. 22-091458

To: ROBERT R HUGO, SUE HUGO, HAROLD MORRISON, MAGNA BANK MADISON, CITY OF GRANITE CITY - TREASURER.

Persons in occupancy or actual possession of said property, unknown owners or parties interested in said lands or lots, and the County Clerk. A petition for Tax deed on the premises described below has been filed with the Circuit Clerk of MADISON County, Illinois as Case No. 98TX 30. On 6-30-98 AT 8:30 AM the petitioner will make application to such Court in said County for an Order for Tax Deed should the real estate not be redeemed. The property is located at 2523 EDWARDS ST, GRANITE CITY, IL., the permanent index number is 22-2-20-17-17-301-027. The property was sold on 12-20-95 for delinquent real estate taxes for the year 1994. The period of redemption will expire on 6-26-98.
John W Scott, Petitioner

#13 (GC) 2/25, 3/4, 3/11

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT MADISON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

FEDERAL HOME LOAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION, Assignee of Central Bank,
Plaintiff,
vs. No. 95-CH-221
GARY F BOYD, JACQUELINE BOYD, AMERICAN GENERAL FINANCE, INC., SPECIAL SERVICE AREA NO. 1 "UNKNOWN OWNERS" and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF COURT SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered by the Court in the above entitled cause the property hereinafter described or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said judgment, will be sold to the highest bidder.

(A) The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact for information regarding the real estate is: Central Bank, Ms. Barbara Kapp, 1000 Broadway, Highland, Illinois, 62249; (618) 654-8822.

(B) The common address and other common description, if any, of the real estate is: 2336 Dwight, Granite City, Illinois

(C) The legal description of the real estate is:
Lot 4 in First Addition of Foreman Heights Subdivision, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 45, Page 30 in Madison County, Illinois.

(D) A description of the improvements on the real estate is: Residential

(E) The real estate may be inspected prior to sale upon request.

(F) The time and place of the sale are:
Monday, March 16, 1998 at 1:00 p.m., Madison County, Courthouse, 155 North Main Street, Edwardsville, Illinois, Courtroom #103.

(G) The terms of the sale are: Cash

(H) Title will be conveyed subject to all general real estate taxes which are a lien upon the real estate, but have not yet become due and payable, and special assessments, if any, and easements and restrictions of record.

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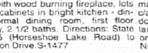
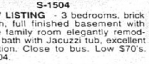


S-1477

Beautiful new construction - brick & vinyl 2 story features spacious great room with wood burning fireplace, lots of oak cabinets in bright kitchen - dining, formal dining room, first floor laundry, 2 1/2 baths. Directions: State Aid 35 (Horseshoe Lake Road) to Arlington Drive.S-1477

MITCHELL AREA - Ranch completely remodeled interior on large fenced lot, rich oak cabinets, range, refrigerator, dishwasher, garbage disposal, washer-dryer, 1st floor laundry, fresh and attractively decorated. S1505 $64,900.



S-1504

NEW LISTING - 3 bedrooms, brick ranch, full finished basement with huge family room elegantly remodeled bath with Jacuzzi tub, excellent location. Close to bus. Low $70's. S1504.

VERY NICE TRI-LEVEL HOME - on outskirts of town, 4 bedrooms, newer roof, furnace and central air. Fenced rear yard. Price reduced!!! S1485. $62,900.

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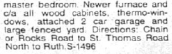
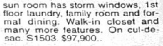


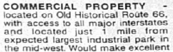
S-1496

Beautiful 3 bedroom brick ranch on the outskirts, full bath with 1/2 bath in master bedroom. Newer furnace and c/a all wood cabinets, thermo-windows, attached 2 car garage and large fenced yard. Directions: Chain of Rocks Road to St. Thomas Road North to Ruth.S-1496



S-1503

GREAT LOCATION, OUTSKIRTS OF TOWN - One story brick, 3 bedrooms, 2 full and 1 1/2 bath, sun room has storm windows, 1st floor laundry, family room and formal dining. Walk-in closet and many more features. On cul-de-sac. S1503. $97,900..



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S-1489

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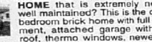

S-1434

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A HOME that is extremely neat & well maintained? This is the one! 3 bedroom brick home with full basement, attached garage with new roof, thermo windows, newer carpeting and furnace. Mid sixties S1434.

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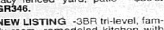
THE PRICE IS RIGHT 3 BR home in Mitchell area - large living room/kitchen, large lot - only $33,900. **GR373.**



GOOD STARTER HOME - 3 BR, eat-in kitchen, newer vinyl siding and c/a, above ground pool, privacy fenced yard, patio - $50's. **GR346.**

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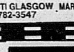

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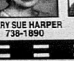

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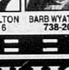

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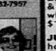

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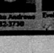

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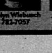

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Scout projects compete for prizes

Alexander Chaplin, Richard Kind, Michael Boatman and Jennifer Esposito, all of TV's hit show "Spin City," will head this year's judging panel to choose the nation's top community service winners in the 25th annual Colgate Youth for America campaign.

The award-winning program presents cash grants for the best-executed projects in the United States by local units of the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Boys and Girls Clubs, Girls Incorporated, Camp Fire and 4-H. More than 240 local clubs and troops will receive checks for up to $2,000 for their projects.

This year's grand prize winners will visit the "Jeopardy" studios as members of the studio audience. Alex Trebek was one of the campaign's most popular judges.

"Our Youth for America program inspires and promotes the positive activities of today's kids, recognizing and rewarding their creative solutions to many common problems," said Program Director Michele Macchia. "Past winning projects range from environmental improvement programs to domestic violence to therapeutic programs for the handicapped and reflect the genuine concerns of our nation's young people.

"The willingness of some of television's busiest popular celebrities to lend their time as judges is a tribute to the importance of this program today," said Macchia.

For entry forms, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Colgate's Youth for America, P.O. Box 1058, FDR Station, New York, N.Y., 10150-1058.

Visit Colgate's Web site at www.colgate.com where you can click on "In the Community" for further details and print an entry form right from your screen. You can also request forms via e-mail at fcw001@aol.com.

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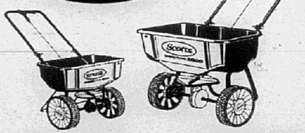

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Council OKs arena bonds, contract

By M.J. Trask
Staff writer

> *'This is going to be a regional asset.'*
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All the hurdles have not been cleared, but St. Charles County officials took a giant step Friday toward getting a 10,000-seat sports arena built.

During a special meeting Friday afternoon, the County Council approved two bills authorizing county officials to issue leasehold bonds financing the project and to enter into an agreement with J.S. Alberici Construction Co. Inc. of St. Louis to build the arena.

Plans call for the arena to be built by September 1999 on a 57-acre site donated by Station Casinos Inc. The United Hockey League and Continental Basketball Association both have indicated plans to locate franchises here and have those teams playing in the facility next year.

The arena would be built south of St. Charles on land located just east of the South River Road near Friedens Road. Council members said they were thrilled that construction of the arena was imminent. With the recent controversy about urban sprawl occurring in St. Charles County, this is something that will benefit the entire metropolitan area, said Councilman Bill Gatewood, R-District 1.

"This is going to be a regional asset," Gatewood said.

Steve Powell, director of the Greater St. Charles Convention and Visitors Bureau, said the arena would serve as an amenity not just for local residents but for tourists. The arena will make St. Charles more of a destination point for tourists, he said. Supporters of the project have billed the arena as a venue for family entertainment. "Family entertainment is what the CBA is all about," said Mike Mannion, president of RiverCity Basketball Club, L.L.C., the investment group seeking to locate a CBA team in St. Charles.

Richard Brosal, UHL commissioner, said he has had to add staff at his offices in Lake Saint Louis because of the increasing number of telephone calls inquiring about a team playing in St. Charles. Even people in St. Louis are excited about the arena, he told the council.

"The biggest plus here is that it is for the people," Brosal said.

Station Casino was represented at the meeting by Troy Stremming, associate general counsel for Midwest operations. Besides donating the ground, the casino will lease advertising space in the arena and rent dates at the facility.

"We're excited about all the family-oriented entertainment we can bring to the county," Stremming told the council.

During the first week of March the county plans to put $35.5 million of leasehold bonds on the market, officials said. There should be no problem in selling the bonds, said Tom Engle, county administrator. Alberici has agreed to build the facility for about $28.1 million.

CBA plans to hold court in St. Charles

By Alan Gerdes
Staff writer

Continental Basketball Association Commissioner Steve Patterson was expected to announce at a news conference Monday that St. Charles will be awarded a CBA expansion franchise.

A St. Louis-area ownership group — RiverCity Basketball Club, L.L.C. — submitted its expansion application last month, and the league recently finished its review process. The board of directors, which includes a representative from each of the nine CBA teams, voted on the St. Charles expansion bid last week.

Patterson did not confirm Friday that St. Charles received the needed votes — league rules require a three-fourths vote — but he noted that his scheduled trip to St. Charles on Monday is a pretty good indication that the necessary votes were received.

"I wouldn't be coming for the bad news," Patterson said.

Mike Mannion, president of RiverCity Basketball, said, "If they were going to reject us, we wouldn't expect them to fly in and tell us."

Patterson said the review process went well and that league officials seemed excited about the prospects of bringing a CBA team to St. Charles. The team is expected to join the league for the 1999-2000 season and play in the True Family Arena, a 10,000-seat sports arena that St. Charles County plans to build near the Missouri River just south of St. Charles.

"I think everybody understands that (they) have a great facility there ... and an outstanding ownership group," Patterson said.

"Hopefully by Monday everything will be finalized with the arena and everything will be finalized with the team," Mannion said. "That will be great for us and great for St. Charles."

The CBA is the official developmental league for the National Basketball Association. Ninety-four players now on NBA rosters once played in the CBA.

Missouri bill would allow boats in moats

By M.J. Trask
Staff writer

Legislators are considering a proposal to amend the Missouri Constitution to allow floating casinos now positioned in artificial basins to remain there.

State Sen. Ronnie DePasco, a Kansas City Democrat representing the 11th District, introduced the bill to authorize casinos, such as Players Island and Harrah's in the Riverport Casino Complex in Maryland Heights, to continue operating in artificial basins.

If DePasco's measure is approved by the legislature, the proposal would be submitted to Missouri voters in November. Any change to the state Constitution needs approval by a simple majority of voters. The bill would not allow future basins to be built for floating casinos.

The bill comes several months after the Missouri Supreme Court cast doubt on the constitutionality of "boats in moats." Since that ruling, the Missouri Gaming Commission has attempted to take disciplinary action against the casinos in artificial basins, but thus far the casinos have been able to block the commission in court.

Vincent Schildman of Granite City, a Gold Card representative for Harrah's Casino in Maryland Heights, has been working at the casino since it opened last year. "I'm encouraged by it," he said about DePasco's bill to grandfather existing casino operations in artificial basins. "But I don't see the reason for it. We're legal as it is."

Nevertheless, Schildman said that if the proposal appears on the statewide ballot in November, he would campaign for its passage. He said he believes other employees also would campaign on its behalf.

The controversy over "boats in moats" has not seemed to affect business — at least at Harrah's. Since the controversy erupted late last year, "we've consistently gotten better" in terms of attendance, said Lisa Flores, spokeswoman for Harrah's.

Station Casino St. Charles at one time was building an artificial basin for its two gaming boats now on the Missouri River. But construction work on that project has stopped.

"Obviously, we want to conclude that construction at some time," said Troy Stremming, associate general counsel for Midwest operations for Station Casino.

Stremming said the company believes the basin planned for its St. Charles' site would be constitutional. "We believe that neither the current configuration (of the floating casinos) nor the future construction plans would be affected" if the DePasco measure is approved by voters, Stremming said.

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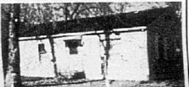

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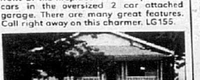

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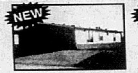

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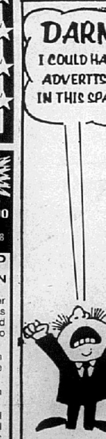

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